

# 2 TIMOTHY

Lesson 1

Chapter One

“Persevere in Present Testings”

Look for the answers to these questions:

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9. In verse 15, what are Phygellus and Hermogenes remembered for?
10. Give three things from verses 16-18 that Onesiphorus is remembered for.

# “Unto the uttermost parts of the earth” (Acts 13 to 28)

13 14 15 16 18 19 21 22 28

**1**  
Galatia

Jerusalem  
Council

**2**  
Macedonia  
Achaia  
Greece

**3**  
Asia

Trials

**1**  
Rome

Freedom  
from Bonds

**2**  
Rome

Church  
Expansion

48 AD

49

50

53

57

60

62

67

68

GALATIANS

1  
THESSALONIANS

1  
CORINTHIANS

EPHESIANS

1 TIMOTHY

**2 TIMOTHY**

2  
THESSALONIANS

2  
CORINTHIANS

COLOSSIANS

TITUS

ROMANS

PHILEMON

PHILIPPIANS

This was Paul's final letter, written during his 2nd imprisonment in Rome.

**Nelson's Complete Book of Bible Maps and Charts** divides 2 Timothy into two parts:

Chapters 1 and 2

Persevere in Present Testings


Chapters 3 and 4

Endure in Future Testings


# The Second Epistle to Timothy

Chapters 1 and 2

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 Thanksgiving for  
Timothy's Faith

1:1-5

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life which is in Christ Jesus,
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As usual, Paul begins his letter with a salutation.

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**This promise is stated in 1 John 2:25:**  
And this is the promise that he hath  
promised us, *even* eternal life.

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In his first letter to Timothy,  
Paul wrote,

“Unto Timothy,  
my own son in the faith.”

Now he adds the words, “dearly  
beloved.” Timothy remained faithful  
to Paul during Paul’s imprisonment,  
causing Paul to love and appreciate  
him even more.



## Thanksgiving for Timothy's Faith

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### Romans 1:9

<sup>9</sup> For God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of his Son, that without ceasing I make mention of you always in my prayers;



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Paul was being punished as an evildoer, but he knew he had done nothing wrong before God.

### 1 Peter 3:16

<sup>3</sup> **Having a good conscience;** that, whereas they speak evil of you, as of evildoers, they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ.



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### 2 Timothy 1:4-5

- 4 Greatly desiring to see thee,  
**being mindful of thy tears,**  
that I may be filled with joy;
- 5 When I call to remembrance  
the unfeigned faith that is in thee,  
which dwelt first in  
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The last time they said goodbye was undoubtedly a time of many tears.

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But remembering Timothy's genuine faith brought joy to Paul's heart.

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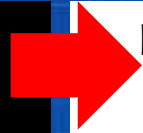
Three generations of faith!

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Reminder of Timothy's  
Responsibility

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## Reminder of Timothy's Responsibility

### 2 Timothy 1:6

<sup>6</sup> Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

Paul gives Timothy several charges to help keep his faith stirred up.





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The gift of God – the ministry given by Jesus Christ – is stirred up when it is put to use.



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### 2 Timothy 1:7

7 For God hath not given us the spirit of fear;  
but of power,  
and of love,  
and of a sound mind.

Timothy must have wrestled with fear for Paul's life and for the future of the work of God. Paul gave him a word of encouragement just like Moses gave Joshua when he told him, "Be strong and of a good courage."



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<sup>8</sup> Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner:  
but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God;

When we are put down for preaching the Gospel, it is not a shameful thing. It is an honor to partake in “the fellowship of his sufferings” (Philippians 3:10).



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### 1 Peter 5:8-9

- <sup>8</sup> Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:
- <sup>9</sup> Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.



## Reminder of Timothy's Responsibility

### 2 Timothy 1:9-10

- 9 Who hath **saved us,**  
**and called us** with an holy calling,  
not according to our works,  
but according to his own purpose  
and grace, which was given us in  
Christ Jesus before the world began,
- 10 But is now made manifest by the  
appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who hath abolished death, and hath  
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Through the grace of God,  
we have been **SAVED** from eternal  
death and **CALLED** to the fellowship  
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### Ephesians 2:8-9

- 8 For by grace are ye saved through  
faith; and that not of yourselves:  
*it is the gift of God:*
- 9 **Not of works,** lest any man should  
boast.

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### Romans 9:11

- <sup>11</sup> (For *the children* being not yet born,  
neither having done any good or evil,  
**that the purpose of God according to  
election might stand,**  
not of works,  
but of him that calleth;)

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### Ephesians 1:4

- <sup>4</sup> According as he hath chosen us in him  
**before the foundation of the world,**  
that we should be holy and without  
blame before him in love:





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### John 11:25-26a

- <sup>25</sup> Jesus said,  
I am the resurrection, and the life:  
he that believeth in me, though he  
were dead, yet shall he live:  
<sup>26</sup> And whosoever liveth and  
believeth in me shall never die.

## Reminder of Timothy's Responsibility

### 2 Timothy 1:11-12a

- <sup>11</sup> Whereunto I am appointed  
**a preacher,  
and an apostle,  
and a teacher of the Gentiles.**
- <sup>12</sup> For the which cause I also suffer  
these things...

Just as he did in 1 Timothy, Paul names the three main parts of his ministry.

### 1 Timothy 2:7

- <sup>7</sup> Whereunto I am ordained **a preacher,  
and an apostle,**  
(I speak the truth in Christ, *and* lie not;)  
**a teacher of the Gentiles** in faith and  
verity.



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### 2 Timothy 1:12b

<sup>12</sup> ... nevertheless I am not ashamed:  
for I know whom I have believed,  
and am persuaded that he is able  
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Paul was not ashamed of being locked up for his beliefs. He was sure that what he believed was true.



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He was fully persuaded of God's ability,  
just like Abraham.

### Romans 4:20-21

<sup>20</sup> He staggered not at the promise of  
God through unbelief;  
but was strong in faith,  
giving glory to God;  
<sup>21</sup> And being **fully persuaded that**,  
what he had promised,  
**he was able** also to perform.

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To serve God without fear, you must know that when you commit your life to God, he will not let go of you.

### 1 Peter 4:19

<sup>19</sup> Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to *him* in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator.



## Reminder of Timothy's Responsibility

### 2 Timothy 1:13-14

- <sup>13</sup> Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.
- <sup>14</sup> That good thing which was committed unto thee keep by the Holy Ghost which dwelleth in us.

God will not let go of the lives that are committed to him.

We must not let go of the ministry that God has committed to us.



## Reminder of Timothy's Responsibility

### **2 Timothy 1:15**

<sup>15</sup> This thou knowest, that all they which are in Asia be turned away from me; of whom are Phygellus and Hermogenes.

Sadly, many Christians *were* ashamed of Paul and had turned away from him.



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### 2 Timothy 1:16-18

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- <sup>17</sup> But, when he was in Rome, he sought me out very diligently, and found *me*.
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Phygellus and Hermogenes are forever remembered for turning their backs to Paul in his hour of need.

But one man's kindness gave him a very honorable remembrance.



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Our good deeds will not be forgotten by the Lord.

### Matthew 25:40

<sup>40</sup> And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done *it* unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done *it* unto me.



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End of Chapter One



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Characteristics of a  
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Each question is worth 10 points. Do NOT share your answers with other students.



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