

# **Preaching and Practicing the Truth**

**Studies in 1 and 2 Timothy, Titus, 1, 2 and 3 John**

## **Hold Fast Sound Words**

**2 Timothy 1**

**Lesson 10**

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# PAUL'S MINISTRY AND LETTERS

MINISTRY	LETTERS
1 <sup>ST</sup> MISSIONARY JOURNEY (ACTS 13:1–14:28)	GALATIANS
2 <sup>ND</sup> MISSIONARY JOURNEY (ACTS 15:36–18:22)	1 & 2 THESSALONIANS
3 <sup>RD</sup> MISSIONARY JOURNEY (ACTS 18:23–20:38)	1 & 2 CORINTHIANS ROMANS
1 <sup>ST</sup> ROMAN IMPRISONMENT (ACTS 22:22–28:31)	EPHESIANS PHILIPPIANS COLOSSIANS PHILEMON
FURTHER TRAVELS	1 TIMOTHY TITUS
2 <sup>ND</sup> ROMAN IMPRISONMENT	2 TIMOTHY
EXECUTION BY NERO	

# Second Timothy at a Glance

The Man of God				
Personal Testimony	Patterns for Ministry	Perilous Times	Profitable Scripture	Preach the Word
1:1-18	2:1-26	3:1-13	3:14-17	4:1-22
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Timothy</li> <li>• Paul</li> <li>• Onesiphorus</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Soldier</li> <li>• Athlete</li> <li>• Farmer</li> <li>• Jesus Christ</li> <li>• Worker</li> <li>• Vessel</li> <li>• Servant</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ungodliness</li> <li>• Persecution</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Able to make you wise unto salvation</li> <li>• Profitable for:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• doctrine</li> <li>• reproof</li> <li>• correction</li> <li>• instruction in righteousness</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a charge before God and the Lord Jesus Christ</li> <li>• Fulfill your ministry</li> <li>• Keep the faith</li> </ul>

# Ashamed of Paul?

- ▶ Paul's first imprisonment: Acts 28:30-31
- ▶ Paul's second imprisonment and death
- ▶ The humiliation of Paul
- ▶ The faith of Paul
- ▶ Chapter 1 – outline
  - Foundation for Christian ministry (1:1-7)
  - Nature of Christian ministry (1:8-14)
  - Onesiphorus' example (1:15-18)

# The Foundation (1:1-7)

- ▶ Apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God
- ▶ According to the promise of life in Christ Jesus
- ▶ Grace, mercy, peace from God . . .
- ▶ Human circumstance – Divine reality

# Thanksgiving

- ▶ A clear conscience – no need to feel shame
- ▶ Timothy's sincere faith
- ▶ The gift of God in Timothy
- ▶ Power, love, sound mind/discipline

# The Foundation of Ministry

- ▶ Sovereign will of God in minister's life
- ▶ The promise of life in Christ Jesus
- ▶ Faith of our fathers
- ▶ Kindle afresh the gift of God – light the fire
- ▶ The spirit of power, love and a sound mind
- ▶ Not situational religion

# The Nature of Christian Ministry

- ▶ Do not be ashamed (1:8-12)
- ▶ Hold fast sound words (1:13)
- ▶ Guard the treasure entrusted to you (1:14)



# 1. Do Not Be Ashamed! (1:8)

- ▶ . . . of the testimony of our Lord
- ▶ The offense of Christ – Rom. 9:33
- ▶ The offense of the cross – Gal 6:12
- ▶ The foolishness of God – 1 Cor 1:25

# 1. Do Not Be Ashamed! (1:8)

- ▶ . . . of Paul, His prisoner
- ▶ Not many wise – 1 Cor 1:26-30
- ▶ The weak and despised things

# No shame!

- ▶ Join with Paul in suffering for the Gospel
  - According to His power
  - Glory in weakness – 2 Cor 12:9
- ▶ A holy calling
  - According to His purpose and grace in Christ Jesus
  - Not according to our works
- ▶ Preach and teach the Gospel
  - The incarnation – appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus
  - He abolished death and brought life

# Paul is not ashamed (1:12)

- ▶ He suffers humiliation and death – unashamed
- ▶ “I know Whom I have believed”
- ▶ “I know He is able to keep what I have entrusted to Him until that day.”

- 1. Do Not Be Ashamed! (1:8)**
- 2. Hold fast sound words! (1:13)**

- ▶ The testimony of Paul
- ▶ In faith and love
- ▶ In Christ Jesus

- 1. Do Not Be Ashamed! (1:8)**
- 2. Hold fast sound words! (1:13)**
- 3. Guard the treasure (1:14)**

- ▶ The treasure entrusted to you
  - The Word (Ps. 19:10)
  - Christ (1 Peter 2:7)
- ▶ Guard – protect
- ▶ Through the Holy Spirit Who dwells in you

# Onesiphorus was not ashamed

- ▶ Eagerly searched for Paul
- ▶ Refreshed Paul
- ▶ May have died for his faith

# The Promise of Life in Christ Jesus

- ▶ Do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord or of me His prisoner.
- ▶ Hold fast sound words.
- ▶ Guard through the Holy Spirit Who dwells in us, the treasure which has been entrusted to you.