

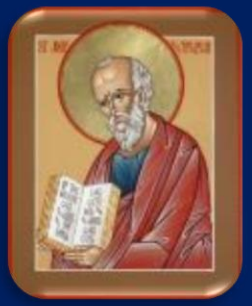
2 Timothy


finish the race
2 Timothy 4

2 Timothy Introduction

The Call to Christian Perseverance

Answering Nine Questions



1) Who wrote it? – Paul
2) What do we know about the author? – An Apostle
3) To whom was it written? – Timothy
4) When was it written? - A.D. 67
5) Where was it written from? – Rome
6) Why was it written? – Timothy's timidity
7) What is it about? – Perseverance
8) What is inside (outline)? – 4 part outline
9) What makes the book different? – Paul's final word

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Ten Metaphors Illustrating Endurance

Ten Metaphors

- Teacher (2:2)
- Soldier (2:3-4)
- Athlete (2:5)
- Farmer (2:6)
- Christ (2:7-8)
- Paul (2:9-10)
- Trustworthy statement (2:11-13)
- Workman (2:14-18)
- Vessel (2:19-23)
- Servant (2:24-26)

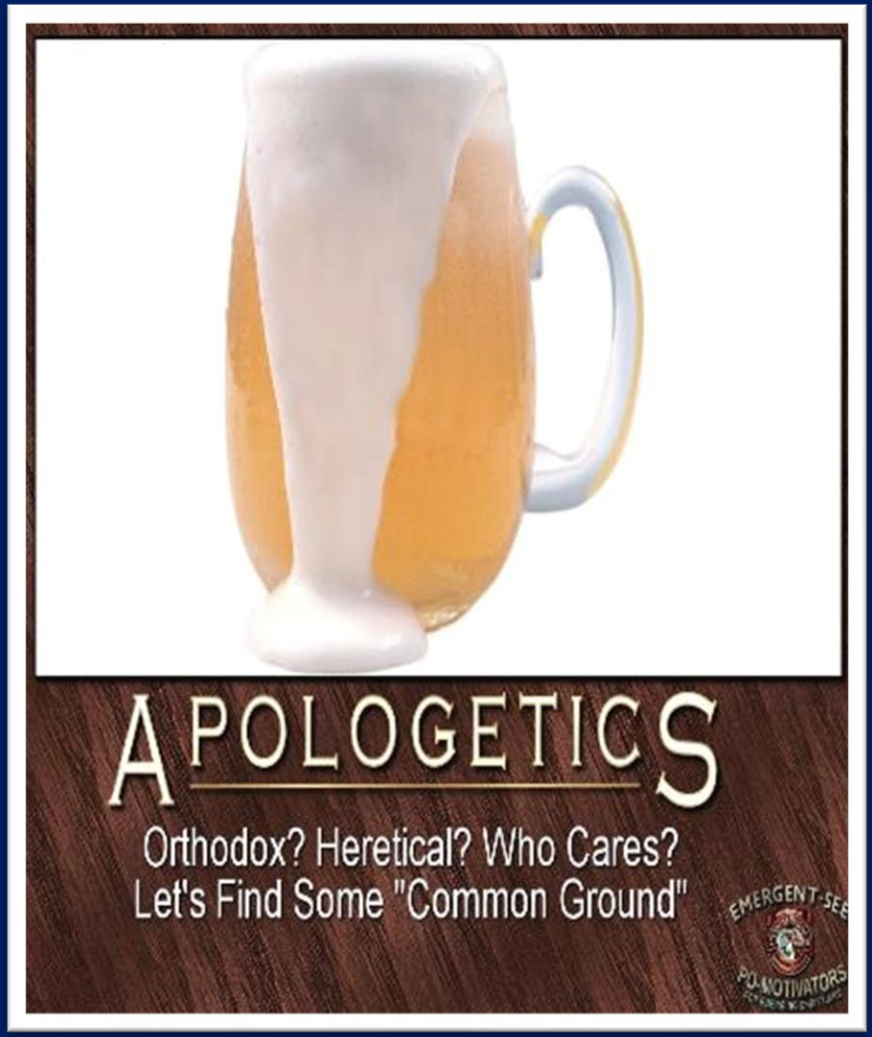


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Definition of Apostasy

- *apos* = away from
- *histēmi* = to stand
- Apostasy = to stand away from
- Apostasy = a departure from known (or previously embraced) truth



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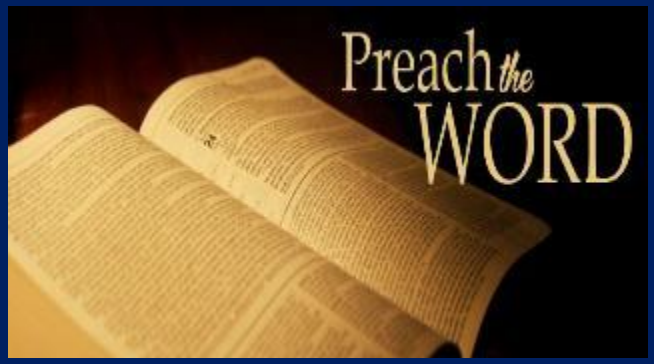
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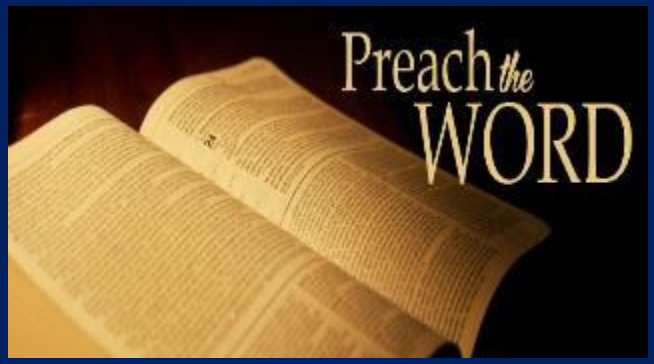
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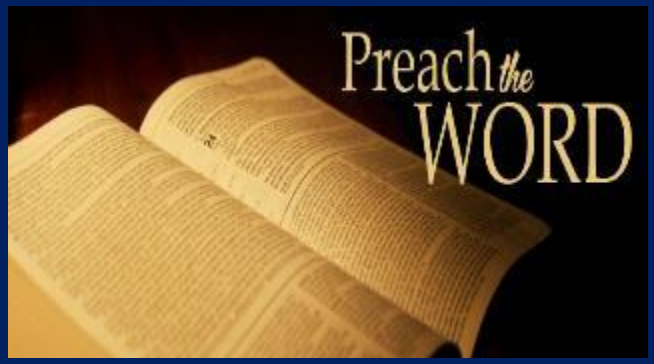
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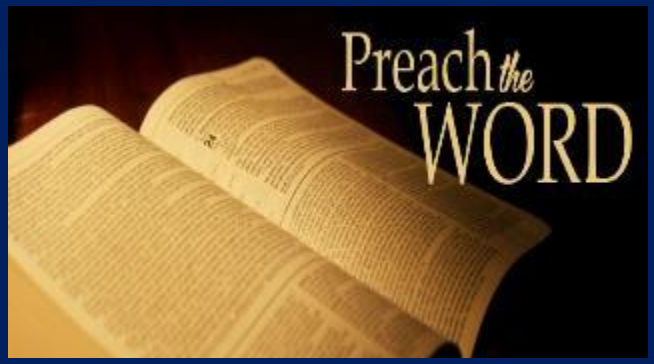
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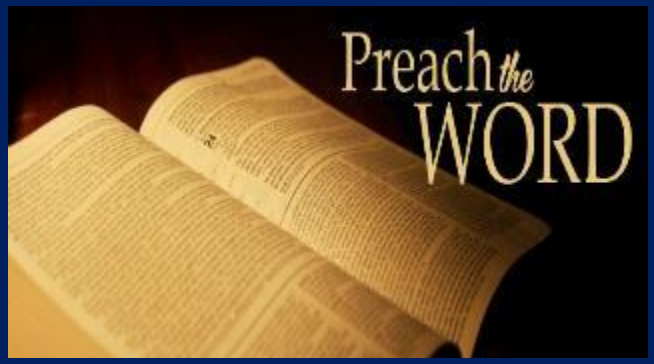
INSPIRATION OF SCRIPTURE

2 Peter 2:20-21

- Men Wrote as they were inspired by Holy Spirit
  "phero" = to carry Acts 27:15,17
- Opposite of Knowledge of False Teachers
  - *Which is their own imagination*
    - *Jer. 23:16*



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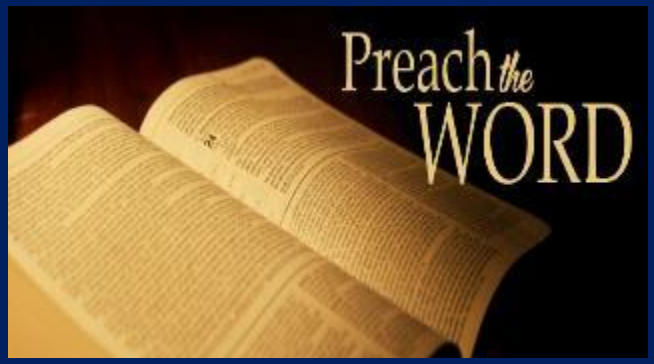


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Three Tenses of Salvation

Phase	Justification	Sanctification	Glorification
Tense	Past	Present	Future
Saved from sin's:	Penalty	Power	Presence
Scripture	Eph 2:8-9; Titus 3:5	Philip 2:12	Rom 5:10

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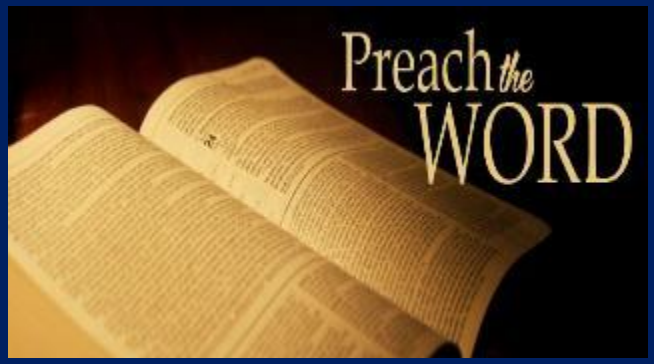
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2 Timothy 3:17

“so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.”

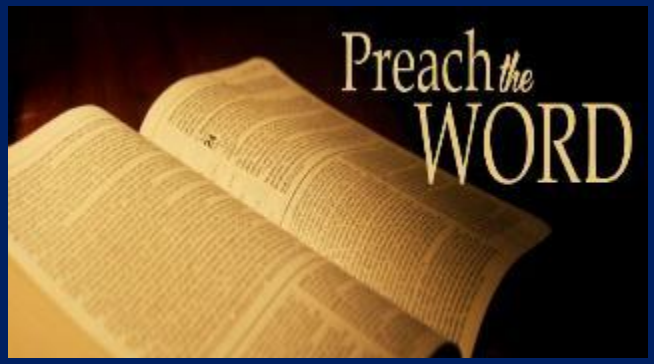


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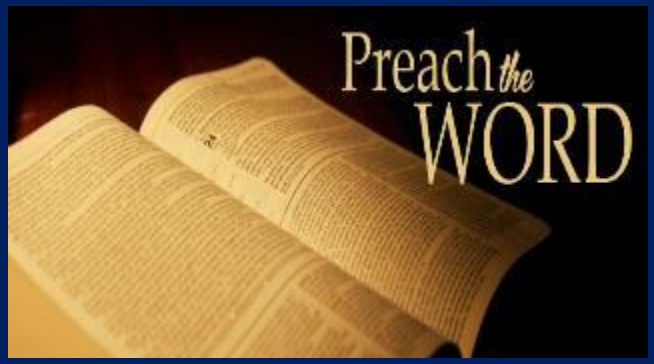
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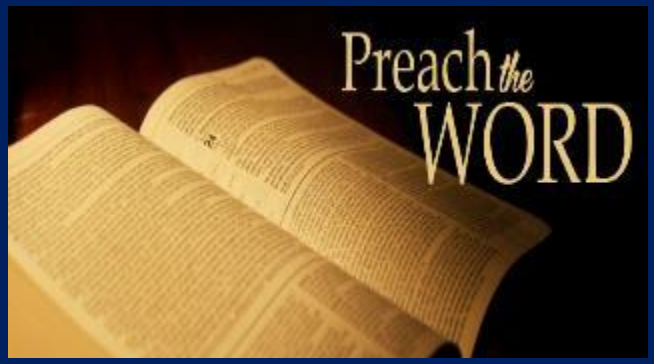
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“For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but *wanting* to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own desires, [4] and will turn away their ears from the truth and will turn aside to myths.”



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Necessity for Timothy to Complete His Ministry (2 Tim 4:5-8)

- Charge (4:5)
- Reason (4:6)
- Reward (4:7-8)
  - *Satisfaction of a life well spent (4:7)*
  - *Bema Seat (4:8)*



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God Meets Needs

Paul's Two Roman Imprisonments Contrasted

First Imprisonment (Acts 28:16-31)	Second Imprisonment (2 Tim)
Wrote prison epistles	Wrote 2 Timothy
Religious charges	Political charges
Local and sporadic persecutions (AD 60-63)	Neronian persecution (AD 64-68)
Decent conditions (house)	Poor conditions (dungeon)
Many friends	Virtually alone
Evangelistic opportunities	Opportunities restricted
Optimistic for release (Phil 1:24-26)	Execution anticipated (2 Tim 4:6)

Adapted from *Nelson's Complete Book of Charts and Maps*, 433.

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Loneliness

- **Need:** fellowship in the midst of loneliness (2 Tim 4:9-12, 16)
- **Met:** God ministered to Paul (2 Tim 4:17a)

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Deliverance

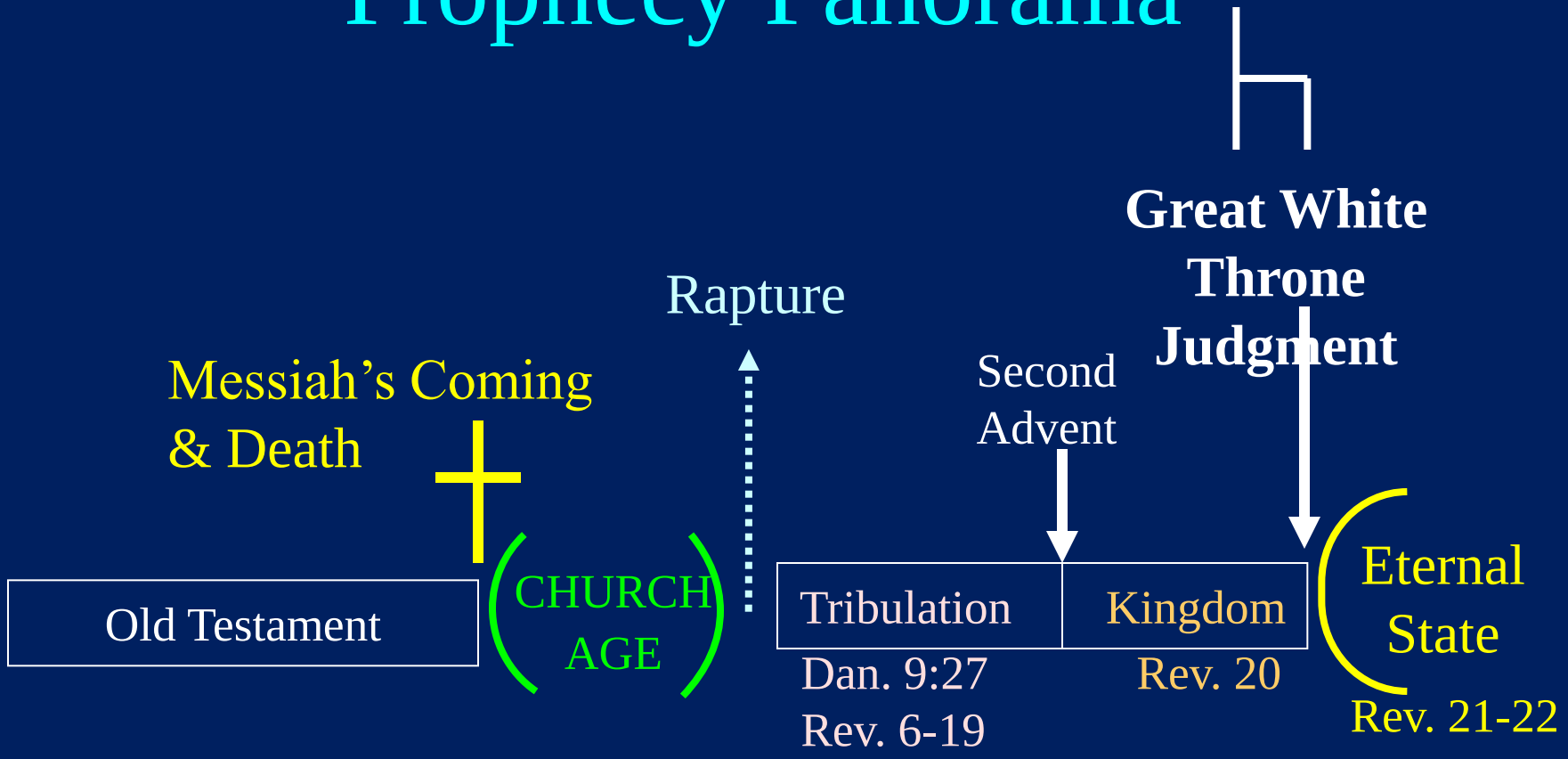
- **Need:** deliverance from an impossible situation (2 Tim 4:17b)
- **Met:** divine deliverance (2 Tim 4:17b-18)

OT PROPHETS DESCRIBE THE KINGDOM



- Kingdom Characteristics
- Is. 2:1-4; 11:6-9
  - Jerusalem = center of world spiritual and political authority
  - Perfect justice
  - World peace
  - Peace in the animal kingdom
  - Universal spiritual knowledge.

Prophecy Panorama



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Persecution

- **Need**: to be ministered to in the midst of persecution (4:14a, 15)
- **Met**: God will repay the believer's enemies (4:14b)

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Spiritual Hunger

- **Need:** to be spiritually fed (4:13b)
- **Met:** Timothy to bring Paul the Scriptures (4:13b)

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Physical Needs

- **Need:** warmth (4:13a)
- **Met:** Timothy to bring Paul's cloak (4:13a)

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Pergamum
PHRYGIA
GALATIA
Antioch
Sardis
Ephesus
Miletus
PISIDIA
LYCAONIA
Iconium
Lystra
Derbe
Attalia
Perga
PAMPHYLIA
Tarsus
Rhodes
Seleucia
Antioch
CILICIA
CYPRUS
Salamis
Paphos
Mediterranean Sea
Outgoing Trip
Return Trip
Paul, Barnabas, and Mark depart for Cyprus
Mark returns to Jerusalem from Perga
Caesarea
Jerusalem

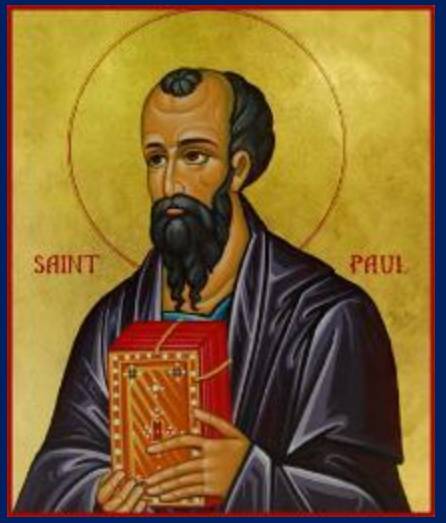
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Grace for Today In Paul's Teaching

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- Church growth (1 Cor. 3:6)
- Preaching (1 Cor. 2:4)
- Gifting (1 Cor. 12:4, 11)
- Living above the sin nature (Gal. 5:16)
- Christ-like character (Gal. 5:22-23)
- Overcoming fear (2 Tim. 1:7)
- Suffering (2 Cor. 12:9; 2 Tim. 1:8)
- Paul's conclusion (Gal. 3:3; 5:4)





Conclusion

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Message

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