

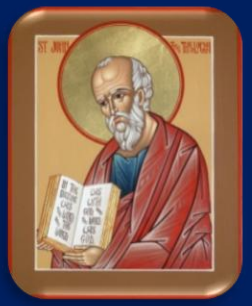
2 Timothy


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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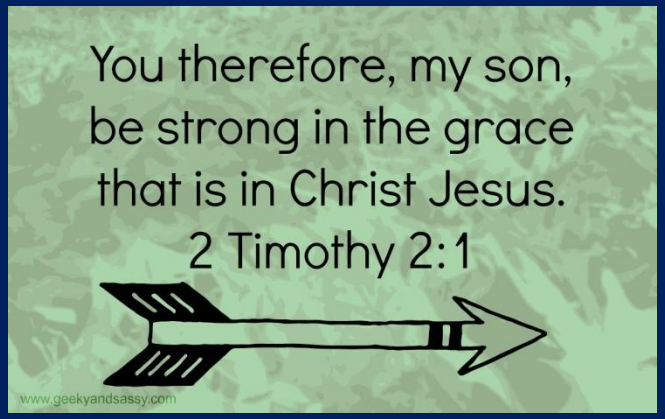
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2 Timothy 2

Ten Metaphors Illustrating Endurance

Key to Endurance (2 Tim 2:1)



- "Be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus"



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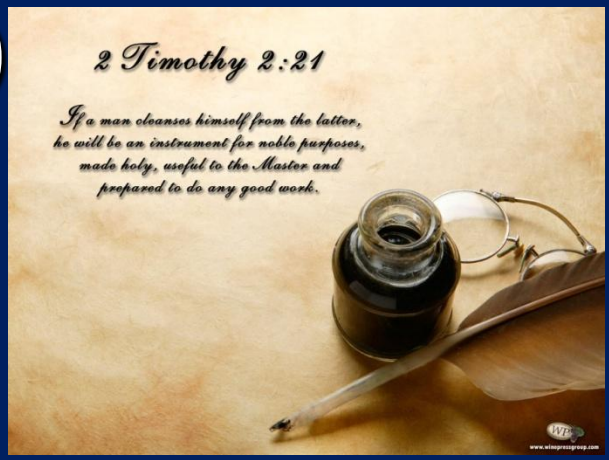
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2 Tim 2:2

- Teacher (2:2): four generations (from Paul to Timothy, from Timothy to faithful men, from faithful men to others)



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2 Tim 2:3-4



- Soldier (2:3-4)
  - Endures hardship
  - Un-entangled
  - Limited options

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2 Tim 2:5

- Athlete (2:5)
  - 1 Cor. 9:25
  - Must compete according to the rules



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2 Tim 2:6



- Farmer (2:6)
  - Diligence
  - No immediate crop

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2 Tim 2:7-8

- Christ (2:7-8)
  - Ultimate example of endurance
  - Heb. 12:2



Abrahamic Covenant

ABRAHAMIC
Genesis
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LAND	SEED	BLESSING
LAND **Deuteronomy** **29-30**	**DAVIDIC** **2 Samuel** **7:12-16**	**NEW** **Jeremiah** **31:31-34**





Unconditional covenant with a conditional blessing (Deut. 28; Lev. 26)

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2 Tim 2:9-10



- Paul (2:9-10)
  - 2 Cor. 11:23-33
  - For the sake of the elect

Emergent Missions: Alternative Religions



"I don't believe making disciples must equal adherents to the Christian religion. It may be advisable in many (not all!) circumstances to help people become followers of Jesus ***and remain within their Buddhist, Hindu, or Jewish contexts***" (Italics added).

Brian McLaren, *A Generous Orthodoxy*, 260.



Emergent Missions: Alternative Religions

"***<u>Evangelism or missions for me is no longer persuading people to believe what I believe</u>***, no matter how edgy or creative I get. Its more about shared experiences and encounters. Its about walking the journey of life and faith together, each distinct to his or her own tradition and culture but with the possibility of ***<u>encountering God and truth from one another</u>***" (Italics added).

Gibbs and Bolger, *Emerging Churches*, 131.

Biblical Missions: Alternative Religions

Alternative religions? 2 Chr 13:9; Jer 2:11; Acts 19:26; Col 1:13; 1 Cor 1:21; 10:19-20; Gal 4:8; Philip 3:4-8



Inclusivism? John 14:6; Acts 4:12; 1 Tim 2:5

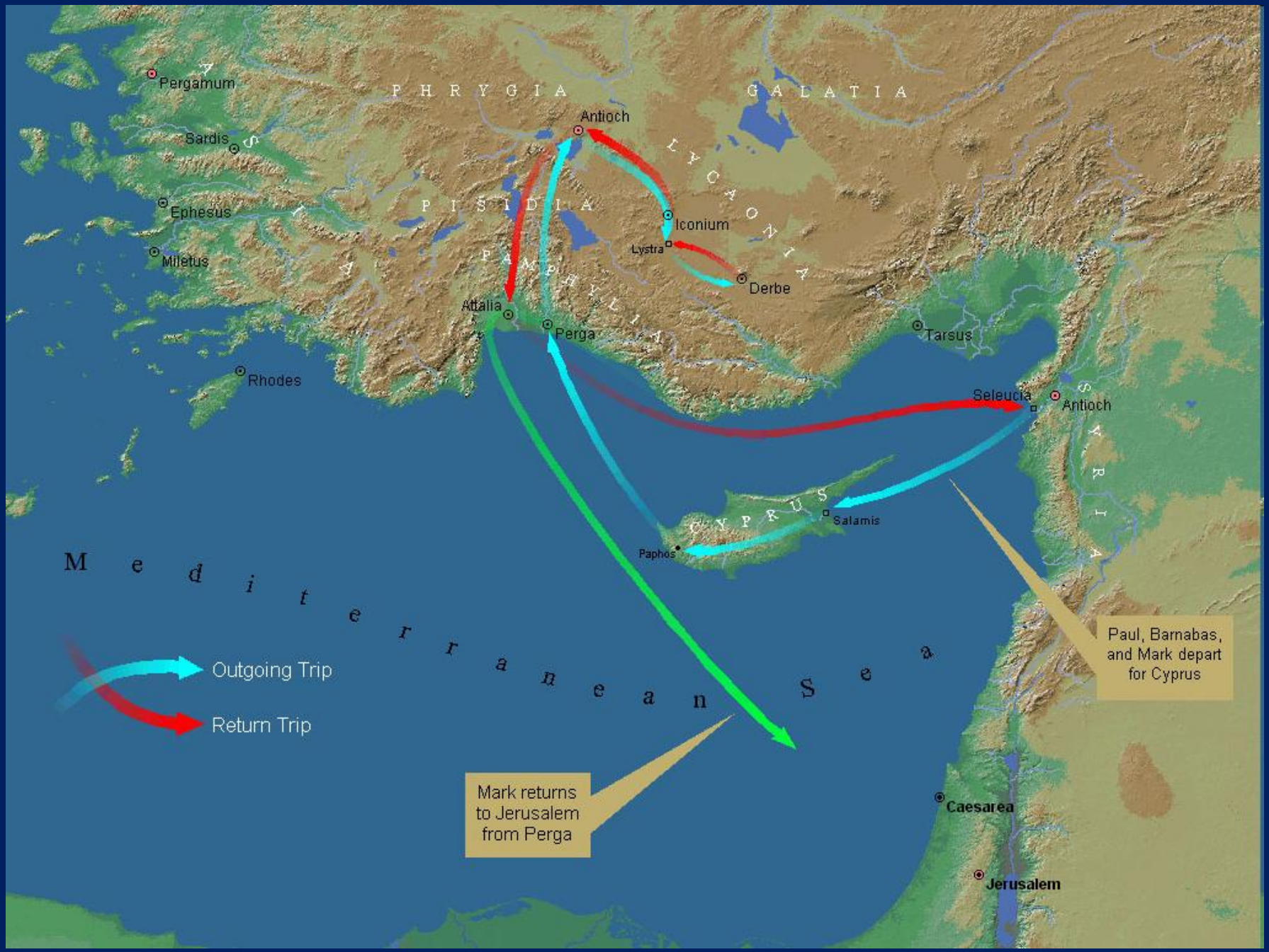
Three Tenses of Salvation

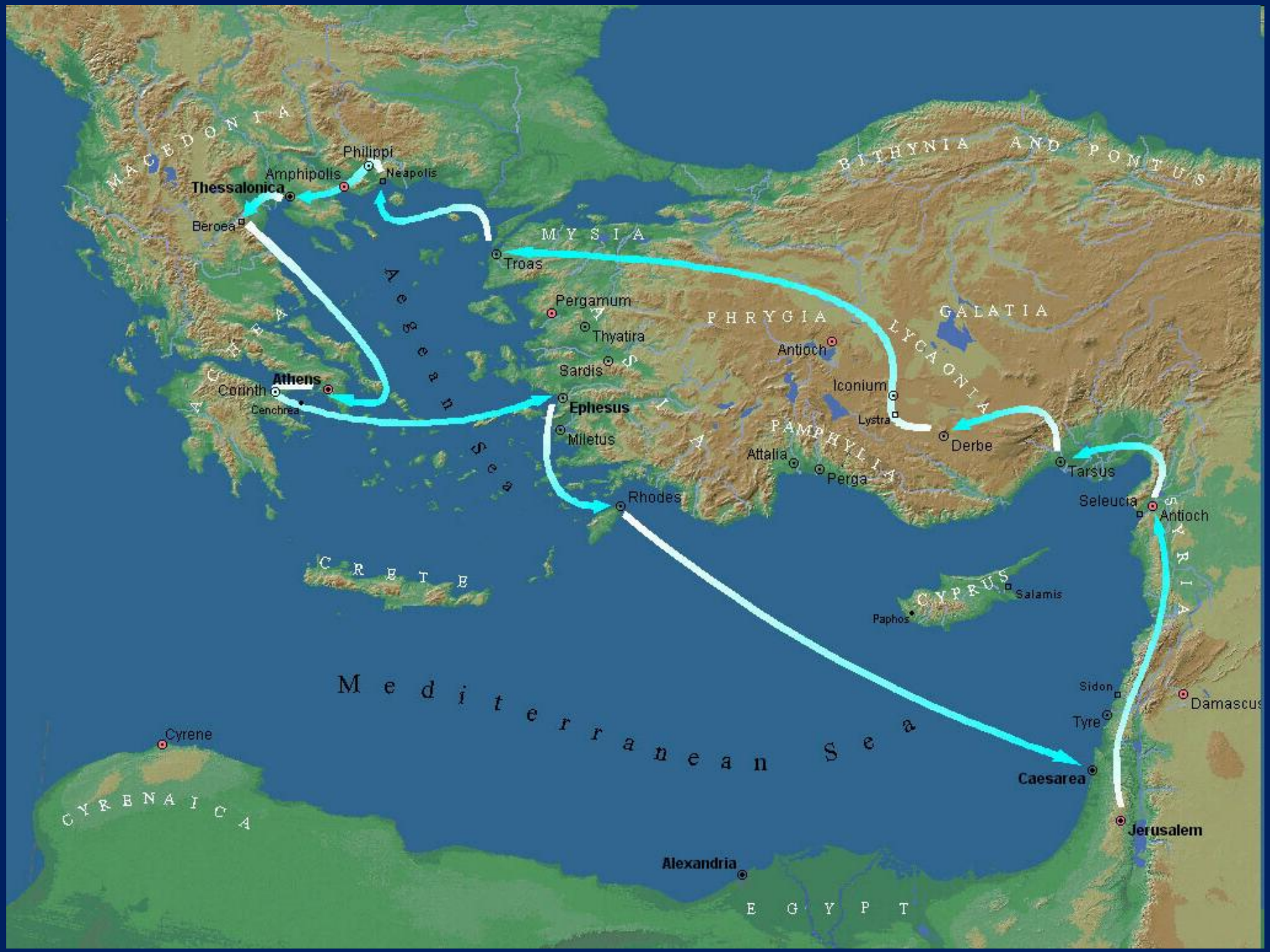
Phase	Justification	Sanctification	Glorification
Tense	Past	Present	Future
Saved from sin's:	Penalty	Power	Presence
Scripture	Eph 2:8-9; Titus 3:5	Philip 2:12	Rom 5:10

Galatians 4:19



"My **children**, with whom I am again in labor **until Christ is formed in you**—"


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


MACEDONIA
Philippi
Amphipolis
Neapolis
Thessalonica
Beroea
BITHYNIA AND PONTUS
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Trustworthy Statement (2:11-13)

- Believers died and will live with Christ (2:11)
- Four views (2:12)
  - Hypothetical
  - Arminian
  - Calvinisitic
  - Rewards
- Christ will never cancel His promise of eternal life to all believers (2:13)

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2 Tim 2:14-26

- Workman (2:14-18)
  - Avoid non biblical speculation (2:14, 16-18)
  - Embrace biblical truth (2:15)
- Vessel (2:19-23)
  - Two kinds of vessels (2:20-21)
  - Avoidance of “these things” (2:19, 22, 23)
- Servant (2:24-26)
  - Teach with patience (2:24-25)
  - Reason for patience (2:26)

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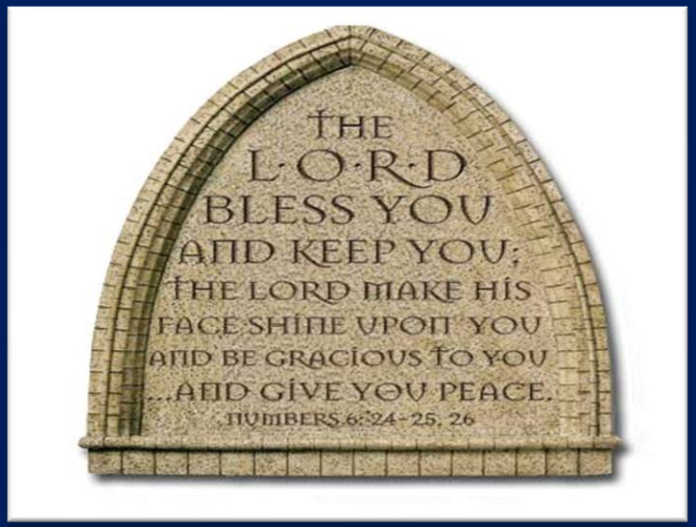


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Conclusion





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