



"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek." Rom 1:16

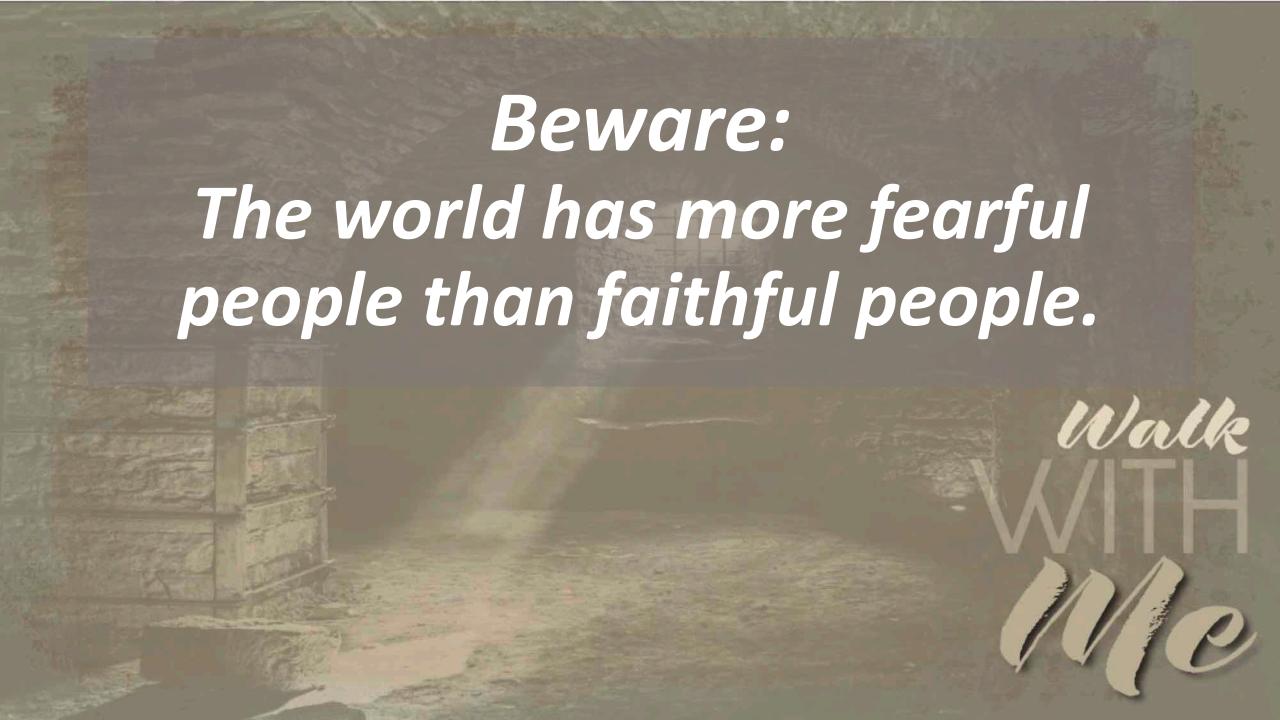


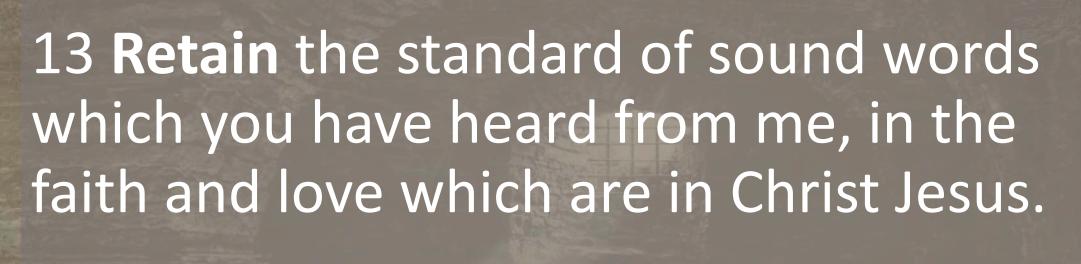
12 For this reason I also suffer these things, but I am not ashamed; for I know whom I have believed and I am convinced that He is able to guard what I have entrusted to Him until that day.



REASONS 1:12

- Unashamed
 - What are you proud of? What are you ashamed of?
- Unaware?
 - I know WHO Jesus I have believed!
 - I know HOW 'abolished death' I am convinced!
 - I know WHAT soul I have entrusted!

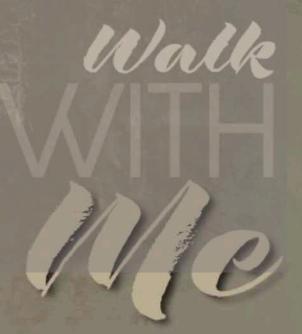






Hold fast! 1:13

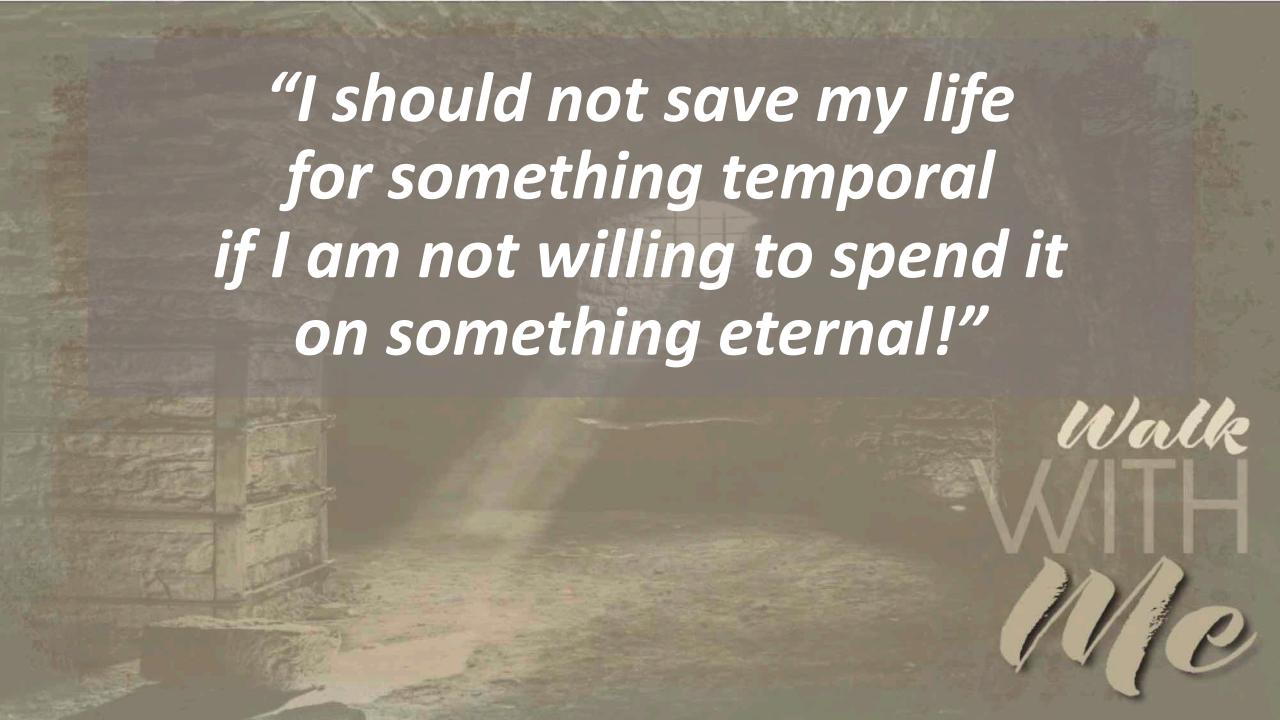
- Hold on to keep hold of grip!
- Falling away begins when we let go
- What you look for when you hear a fire alarm
- Don't prioritize your schedule only schedule your priorities!
- Eternal! Everything else is temporary!

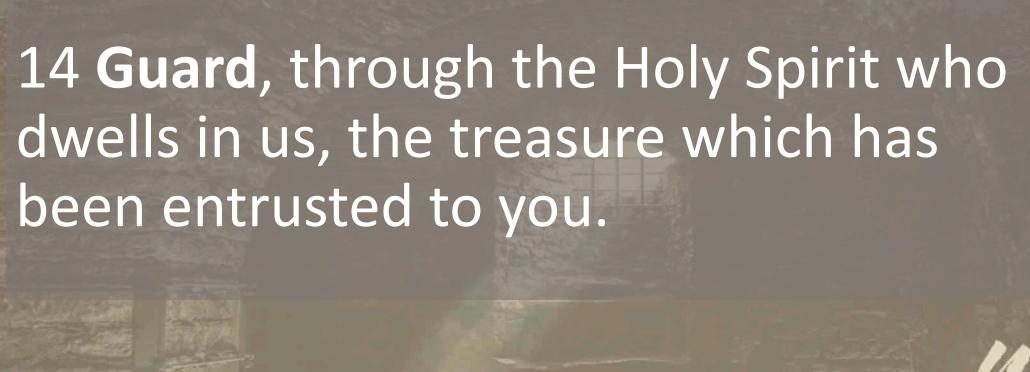


ONLY ONE LIFE 'TWILL SOON BE PAST ONLY WHAT'S DONE



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Guard! 1:14

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- Keep as you are kept! Polycarp
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"guard the treasure!"



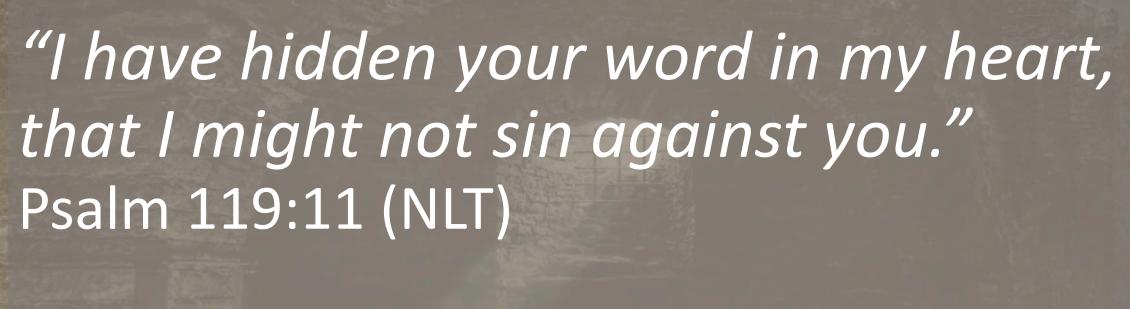
"Eighty-six years I have served Christ, and He never did me any wrong. How can I blaspheme my King who saved me?"

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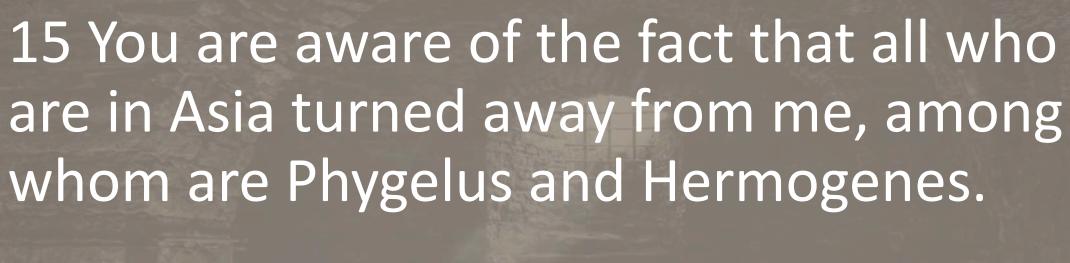
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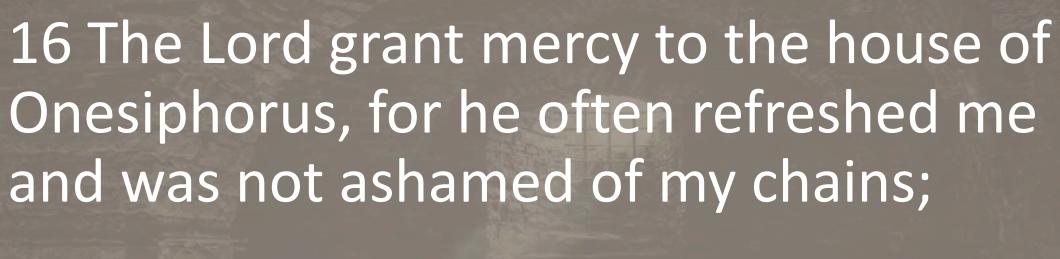




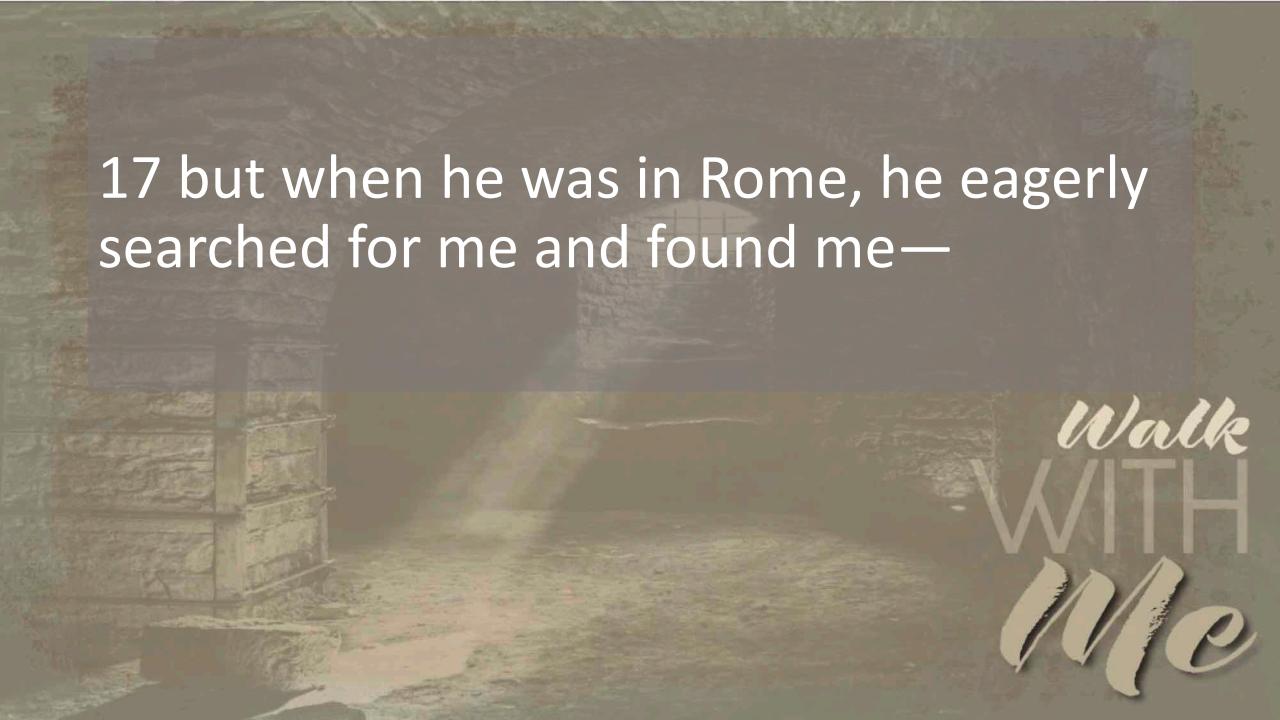












18 the Lord grant to him to find mercy from the Lord on that day—and you know very well what services he rendered at Ephesus.



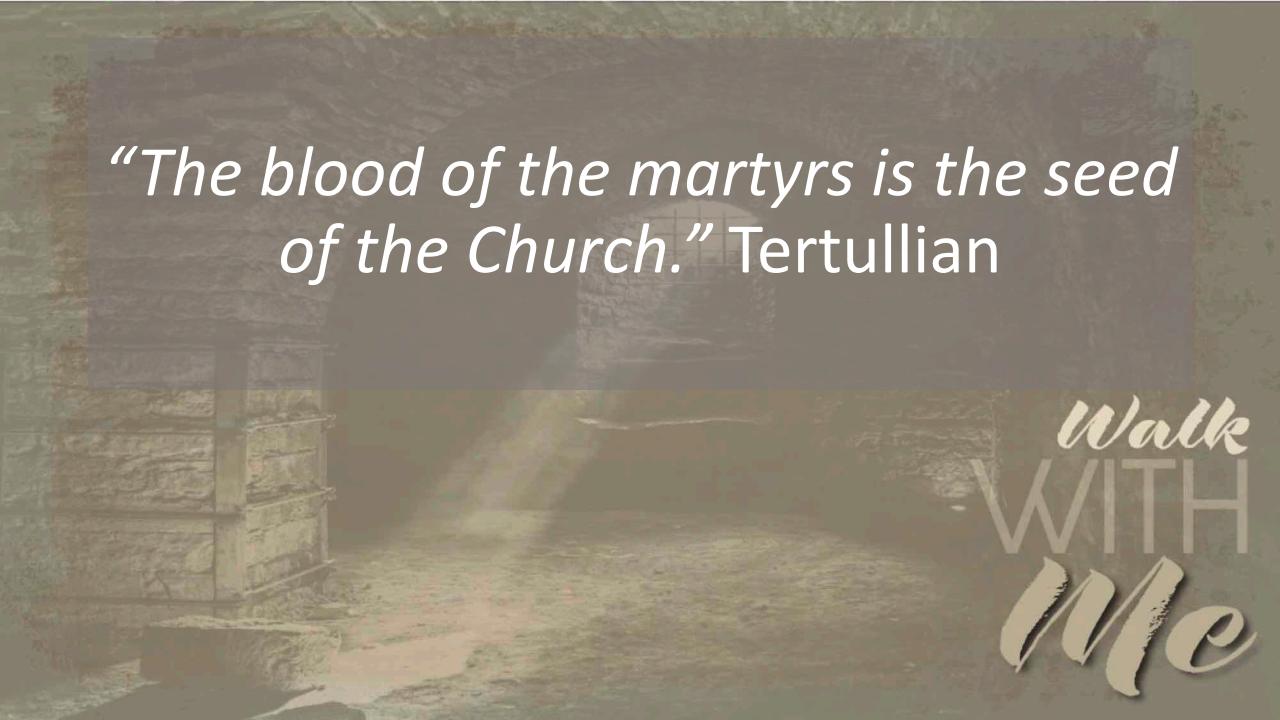
Testimony 1:15-18

- Phygeles & Hermogenes 'never leave!' deserted!
- Onesiphorus (not Onesimus)
- Onesiphorus searched & found Paul in Rome
- 'refreshed' restored the soul
- 'unashamed' I am not dishonored by you
- Stay faithful until the end death row too?



Testimony 1:15-18

- While in England D.L. Moody heard evangelist Henry Varley say, "The world has yet to see what God can do through a man who is totally yielded to Him."
- Moody was captivated by these words and resolved,
 "By the Grace of God, I will be that man!"
- "Yet if I had ten thousand lives, Jesus Christ should have every one of them."



Be THAT disciple -

- 1 Corinthians 4:2 "Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful."
- Marked by prayer in the heart
- Marked by passion in the Word
- Marked by praise on the lips
- Marked by pursuit of Christ



