

SERMON NOTES

Free! – 2 Timothy 2 Relentless Faith – week 2

Relentless faith – never giving up on _____ or His

We are unashamed of _____

Autonomy – self-government; free from _____

No one is truly free as we've all been _____ by someone's ideas

To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."... Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. John 8:31-32; 35

We are only free when we are in _____ with God

Key verse: Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is ~~my~~ my gospel, for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained. (v. 8-9)

...so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. Isaiah 55:11

1. Free to live _____ (v. 1-2)

Our strength is not found within us but _____ us

Everything I face is a defeated foe – I'm dealing with the already conquered. I do not have to conquer by struggling, trying – I simply take my stand by surrender to Him and am therefore in Him. E. Stanley Jones (on Romans 8:37 - No, in all these things we are) more than conquerors through him who loved us.

_____ matters as much as wisdom and experience.

You, however, know all about my teaching, my way of life, my purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance, 2 Timothy 3:10

2. Free to _____ (v. 3-7)

Not only so, but we[also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. Romans 5:3-4

Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. Matthew 24:12-13

For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart. Hebrews 12:2b-3

3. Free to become _____ (v. 14-26)

“Workman approved” – one who _____ in their craft

Don't settle for _____

a. avoid arguments and _____ (v. 14, 16, 23-24)

Warn them before God against quarreling about words; it is of no value, and only ruins those who listen. (v. 14)

b. Pursue a _____ (v. 22)

Flee the evil desires of youth and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart. (v. 22)

c. Be _____ (v. 24-26)

...and that they will come to their senses and escape from the trap of the devil, who has taken them captive to do his will. (v. 26)

Are you truly free today? Would you like to be?