

Sermon Text: 2 Timothy 1:1-2

Sermon Title: A Thoroughly Christian Greeting

Main Goal of the Passage: To greet Timothy, and the church he pastors in Ephesus, in a way that only Christians can.

Paul greets Timothy (and the church)...

(1) with the authority given to him by Jesus,

(2) as a recipient of God's saving grace,

(3) with security in Christ alone,

(4) as a spiritual father,

(5) with blessings in Christ alone.

Additional Scriptures: 1 Corinthians 7:25; Ephesians 2:20; Revelation 21:14; 1 Timothy 1:9; Ephesians 1:4-6; 1 John 4:19; John 1:12-13; 2 Timothy 1:8; 4:6-7; Galatians 6:10; Ephesians 2:19; 1 Timothy 3:15;)

Bonus Quote:

No list of sins I have not done; No list of virtues I pursue; No list of those I am not like
Can earn myself a place with You

O God, be merciful to me; I am a sinner through and through
My only hope of righteousness; Is not in me, but only You

No humble dress, no fervent prayer; No lifted hands, no tearful song; No recitation of the
truth; Can justify a single wrong

My righteousness is Jesus' life; My debt was paid by Jesus' death; My weary load was borne by Him; And He alone can give me rest

No separation from the world; No work I do, no gift I give; Can cleanse my conscience, cleanse my hands; I cannot cause my soul to live;

But Jesus died and rose again; The power of death is overthrown; My God is merciful to me; And merciful in Christ alone; My righteousness is Jesus' life; My debt was paid by Jesus' death; My weary load was borne by Him; And He alone can give me rest; Yes, He alone can give me rest

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