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20 Timothy

2 Timothy

Week 6: Remember Jesus, Suffering (again), A Liturgical Hymn

General Book Outline

"The Call to _____ for the Gospel"

1. Chapter 1 -- ... Suffer...

2. Chapter 2 -- ... Endure...

3. Chapter 3 – ...Be Strengthened By...

4. Chapter 4 -- ... Preach...

Week 5: Quick Review

Adam's Main Topics

- Strengthen "in grace"
- Strategy (discipleship model)
- Steadfast (3 examples)
 - 1. Soldier
 - 2. Athlete
 - 3. Hardworking Farmer

"Remember Jesus the Messiah..."

Three key points

"Risen from the dead" and "Descendant of David"

Look back to Peter's Sermon in Acts
 2:22-36 for context

Worth <u>suffering hardship for</u> so that others may obtain salvation

- Why the "Son of David" reminder for a half-Gentile guy?
- Why the "Son of David" reminder for us?

The Hymn / Catechism / Solemn Confession

Verses 11 though 13

"...a quotation of some liturgical hymn or solemn confession used in the formal services of the church. What's here is short excerpt from a longer item that carries some of its rhythm and parallelism in structure. It seems aimed particularly at Pastor Timothy to focus on the faithfulness of God." ~ The Interpreter's Bible, pg 486

Where Else Do We Find This Language? V11

- Romans 6:8 "For if we have died with Christ, ___ ___ __ __
 - "...we believe we shall also live with Him."
- Galatians 2:20 "I have been crucified with Christ & it is no longer I who live but ______;"
 - "...Christ lives in me;"
- - "...we may live together with Him."
- Ultimately anchored in Jesus's words in John 14:19b: "...because I live, _____"
 - "you shall live also."

Where Else Do We Find This Language? V12

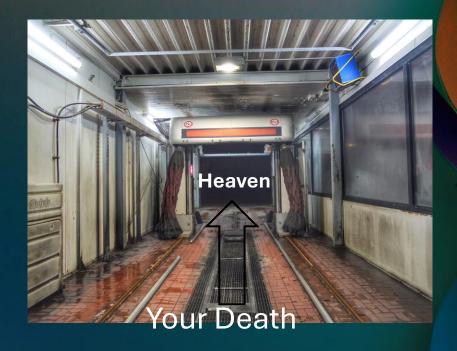
- Romans 8:17 "...fellow heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also ______."
 - "...be glorified with Him."
- Luke 12:8-9 "...he who denies Me before men shall be denied before the angels of God."
- Endurance of hardship grants to us a right to reign, in some sense.
- Bonus verse 8:18 "...sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that is to be revealed to us."
 - Again, the reward is for those who will suffer for the Kingdom of God

Charting Out the Relationships

Verse	IF	THEN	Comparison Type
11	We be dead (aorist / past continual)	We shall also live	Neg. contrast
12	We endure (present/ sustained activity)	We shall reign	Neg. contrast
13	We deny (future – "remote possibility only," some say)	He shall deny	Straight parallel
13	We are faithless (present)	He remains faithful	Opposite parallel

Stew's Ph.D.-Level Parallelism Revelation!

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A. Opposite contrast

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B. Straight parallel

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Structure expects the final parallel to be straight parallel, <u>not</u> opposite

 Some conjecture Paul modified that final phrase himself for emphasis

"He Will Deny Us" – The Elephant in the Room

- Some commentators are convinced it expresses the possibility of true apostasy, citing 1 Tim. 4:1; Heb. 10:38–39; 2 John 9 'does not abide'
 - Represents the Lord's ultimate rejection of those who professed Christ only temporarily (Matt. 10:33's 'I will deny before the Father')
 - Instead of identifying with Christ, the apostate dissociates himself with Christ before the end of his physical life
- Others relate it to a <u>true</u> child of God who nevertheless proves unfaithful (Rom 10:9-10; 2 Tim. 1:15; 1Cor:3:15 'saved as through fire')
 - Jesus cannot disown Himself; therefore He will not deny even unprofitable/ unfathful members of His own Body
 - True children of God cannot become something other than children, even when disobedient and weak
- Stew's bottom line: Christ's faithfulness to Christians is not contingent on their faithfulness to Him – be constantly thankful for that fact!

Paul's Life in Relation to the Hymn

- What's Paul's big point to Timothy and us?
 - Are we as believers exempt from suffering? Why or why not?
- What was Saul famous for early in his life (Acts pre-Ch 9)?
 - Rom 8:17-18, 1Cor 12:26, 2Cor 1:7, Phil 3:10, Col 1:24, (+ 1Pet 4:13)
- What is Paul being called to now, at the end of his life?
- A changed life is the greatest indicator of the truth of the Gospel!

Our Life in Relation to the Hymn

The goal: remain faithful to the very end, regardless of adversity amount

- Remember the Matt 25:1-13 scary parable about those whose oil runs out before the bridegroom returns
- Q: How do you prevent that? A: Consecration/Get your mind on God;
 Abide in Jesus; Swim from the shipwreck of this world! No 3rd option!
- Keep up with your dailies to be prepared for testing ahead of time
- Choose your level of "Grounding" to do first thing each day + periodically
 - 1. Most Basic "Jesus, I trust in you."
 - 2. Desert Fathers "Jesus Messiah, Son of God, have mercy on me..."
 - 3. Signpost Inn next slide
 - 4. St. Patrick's Breastplate 2nd slide
 - 5. Wild at Heart Daily Prayer Stew handout
 - 6. Mark Bubeck *The Adversary /* Roundup Prayer from 2024 Prayer Conference

Signpost Inn Morning Prayer

 Almighty God, merciful Father, who created and completed all things, on this day when the work of my calling begins anew, I implore you to create its beginning, direct its continuance, and bless its end, that my doings may be preserved from sin, my life sanctified, and my work this day be well pleasing to you. In Jesus' name, AMEN

St. Patrick's Breastplate / The Deer's Cry

I arise this day through a mighty strength, the invocation of the Trinity, through belief in the Threeness, through confession of the oneness of the Creator of Creation.

I arise this day through the strength of Christ's birth with his baptism, through the strength of His crucifixion with His burial, through the strength of His resurrection with His ascension, though the strength of His coming descent for the sentence of judgement.

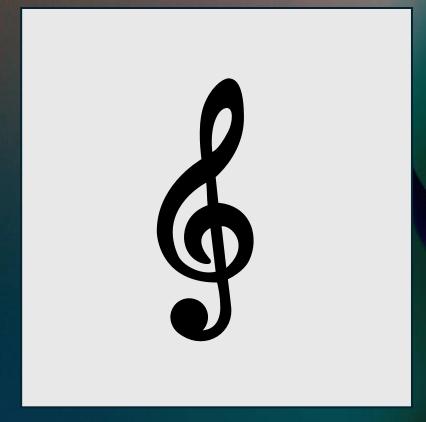
Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down, Christ when I arise.

Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me.

What Do You Think?...

(if by some fluke any time remains)

Let's Sing the Song!



• Through it all, Paul's consolation (and ours, too) is 1:12b

"For I know whom I have believe-ed and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I've committed unto Him until that day."

