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20 Timothy

## 2 Timothy

Week 12: Making it Personal, Epistle Wrap-Up

#### General Book Outline

"The Call to \_\_\_\_\_ the Gospel"

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

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

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

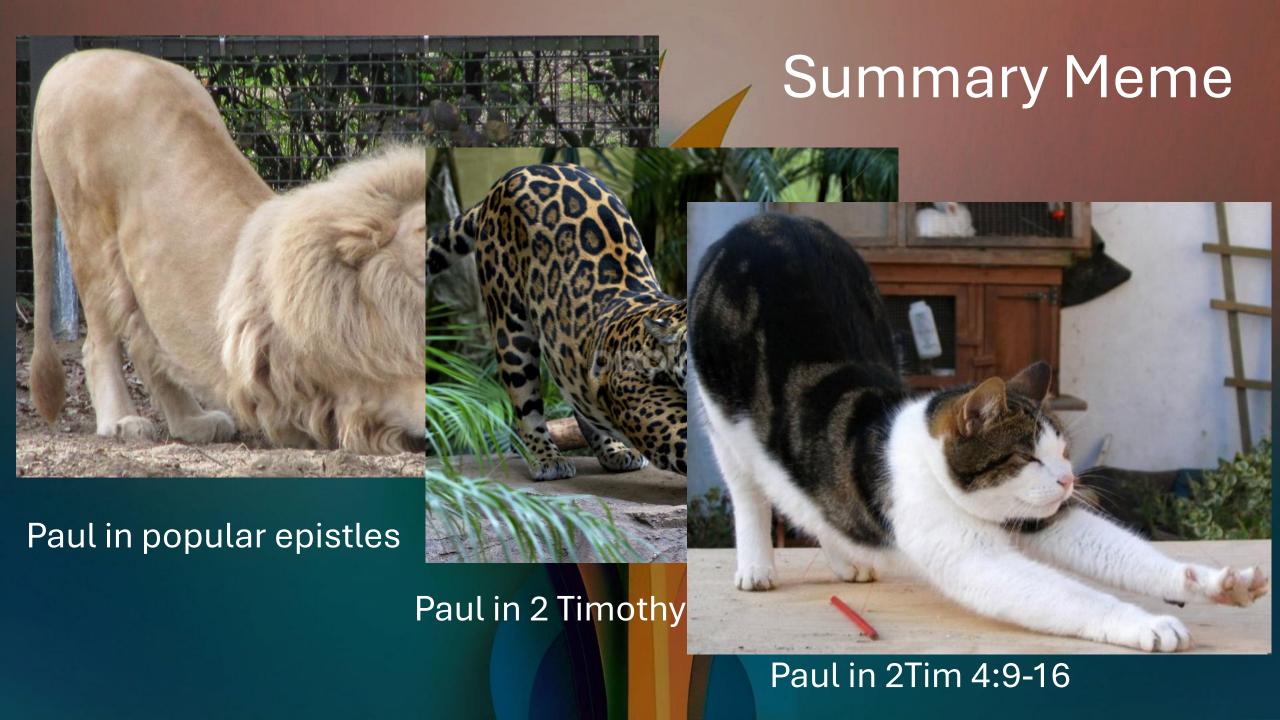
4. Start of Chapter 4 -- ... Preach...

5. End of Ch. 4 – It Gets Personal...

#### Week 11: Review

Last Week's Main Topics

- Contextual Verse (4:2)
- Key Concept
  - 1. Solemn charges
  - 2. Awareness of eternal realities
  - 3. The pure medicine of the word
  - 4. Godly examples...



#### "Spoudazo..."

Let's compare to other passages

The writing turns personal with a more urgent tone following vv 6-8

Definition – 'Make every effort' or 'be diligent' or 'endeavor to'

- 2 Tim 4:9
- 2 Tim 4: 21
- Titus 3:12
- Gal 2:10 ('eager')
- Eph 4:3 ('spare no effort')
- 1Thes 2:17 ('eager with great desire')

Things are turning emotional...

## Dealing with Desertion (vv 9, 17, 18)

Our ultimate consolation....

- Demas departed
  - Loving this present world/age (aion)
- Others were sent out on mission
- Alexander has done Paul much harm
- No one stood up at first defense
- BUT
- 'The Lord stood with me...'
- 'I was delivered...'
- I will be delivered from every evil'
- 'The Lord will bring me safely to His heavenly kingdom'

## Alexander the Coppersmith

Beware / be on your guard...

27im 4:14 17im 1:20 17im 5:5 Who was he?

What did he do to Paul?

What were his deeds?

Why should Timothy beware?

#### Alexander the Coppersmith Detail

- Same Alexander in 1 Tim 1:20?
  - Delivered over to Satan (also in 1 Cor 5:5)
  - ...to be taught not to blaspheme
  - Hymenaeus also listed in both books (2:17)
- Same Alexander in Acts 19:33?
  - Put forward by the Jews
  - Intending to make a defense against Demetrius the Silversmith
  - Shouted down by the crowd (for 2 hours)
- Not everyone agrees that these are the same man
  - Alexander was a common name in Greek cities

#### Reminder: "...avoid such men as these." 2Tim 3:5

Not, ".. seek out these men and take to them the power of the Gospel"

Possibly because Timothy is charged with finding leaders

#### Criteria for avoidance

"...We must not tarry with those men who <u>resist the truth</u> not from simple ignorance, but <u>from a perverse mind</u>... – John Calvin"

- 1. Counterfeit ex: Jannes and Jambres in Exodus 7:10-12
  - Names by Jewish tradition, poss. via a Babylonian Talmud reference
- 2. <u>Misguided</u> -- Simon *Magis* comes to mind in Acts 8:14-20
  - "...may your silver perish with you..."
- 3. <u>Mis-motived</u> -- 1 Tim 6:5b
  - "...who suppose that religion (lit.) is a means of gain."

#### Paul's Curtain Call...

Verse	Name	What we know
11	Luke	Gospel writer, longtime companion, secretary, physician
10	Demas	w/ Luke in Col 4:14, "lover of this world," gone to Thessalonica
10	Crescens	Sent to Galatia (poss. Gaul) on church business, only mention
10	Titus	Sent to Dalmatia on church business, received epistle (Crete)
12	(John) Mark	Checkered past with Paul (Acts 13:13) causing split, but "useful" now, may be taking Tychicus' place
12	Tychicus	Sent to Ephesus earlier, possibly to take Timothy's place
19	Prisca (F) & Aquila (M)	Married missionaries from Rome, tentmakers with Paul in both Corinth and Ephesus, stayed when Paul left
19	Onesiphorus	Tracked Paul down in Rome, extremely loyal, "refreshing"
20	Erastus	Still in Corinth, possibly the city treasurer in Rom 16:23
20	Trophimus	Left at Miletus by Paul without being healed
21	The Chorus w/ Paul	Eubulus, Pudens, Linus, and Claudia remained

#### Adam's General Summary of the Epistle

- Theme 1 -- Be devoted to the message & mission of the gospel in the face of false teaching & suffering
- Theme 2 -- Following Jesus involves risk, sacrifice, and inviting tension and discomfort into your life. Dark, painful, or difficult moments are not a sign of Jesus' absence but opportunities for Jesus' love and faithfulness to be most tangible (Bible Project)
- Key Verse 1:13-14
- Key Verse 2:2-3
- Why Study 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy? (next slide)

#### Why Study 2 Timothy?

- We need to hear this urgent call to be disciples who make disciples.
- We need to understand the challenges of being faithful to Christ in turbulent times.
- We need encouragement about how we can serve the Lord with the gifts & calling He has given us.
- We need insight & inspiration about living this life in light of eternity.

### Stew's Last Word: The 5 Admonitions



- 1. Kindle afresh the gift of God in you
- 2. Do not be ashamed of Jesus or Paul's imprisonment
- 3. Join in suffering for the Gospel
  - According to the power of God
- 4. Retain the standard of sound words (know your Bible)
- 5. Guard the treasure entrusted to you through the Holy Spirit

## What Do You Think?...

(Your major themes or favorite verses)