

## [The Book of 2 Timothy](#)

### Chapter 1

#### **“It is not easy, but it is worth it”**

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Northeastern United States is famous for their Cod Fish.

So famous in fact, that they are in demand all over the United States.

The Shippers of the Cod had a problem though, when they froze the Fish they lost most of their flavor.

They tried shipping them live in tanks of sea water, which was very expensive, but the Cod arrived Soft and Mushy, and again without much flavor.

A very creative person solved their problem in a most unusual manner...

The Cod were placed in a tank of water that also had their natural enemy, the Catfish.

From the time that the Cod left the East Coast until they arrived at their farthest western destination, those ornery catfish chased the Cod all, over the tank.

When the Cod arrived at the market, they were as fresh as when they were first caught. No loss of flavor, the texture firm and delicious.

Jesus has placed us in a tank of our enemy. Every day, every week He chases after us as we all go through very difficult things in our life.

But as the enemy chases us, as our problems pursue us, we continue to seek the Lord and ask for His help.

It's painful to be in the tank, it is not easy being in the tank, but someday we know for certain, it is going to be worth it.

#### **[Romans 8:18](#) Paul wrote of all his own suffering in his life:**

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

**As Paul writes this second letter to Timothy, his situation in life has changed drastically.**

- **He has been arrested** and is now in prison awaiting a trial and eventual death.
- **What is amazing** is that in spite of the extreme difficulties of Paul's life, He is not thinking about himself, he is thinking about Timothy's welfare.

- **This is because** Paul has come to understand that belonging to Jesus, means that he no longer has any rights himself.
- **Paul has willingly** made himself “**Jesus Servant**”, to do whatever, be whatever, be moved wherever Jesus might desire.

## **2 Timothy 1**

1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ **by the will of God**, according to the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus,

**Paul says that he is “An Apostle by the will of God”.**

- **One of the important things** that you learn about being someone who belongs to Jesus, is that “**Jesus is Lord over your life.**”
- **There is no Happenstance**, no Good or bad luck, there is the Lord of Universe moving you throughout your life, exactly where He wants for you to be.

## **1 Corinthians 6:19-20**

19 Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit *who is* in you, whom you have from God, **and you are not your own?**

20 For **you were bought at a price**; therefore **glorify God** in your body and in your spirit, which are God’s.

**One of the conditions of your being saved by Jesus, was that He paid for you in full with His life. This means that we no longer have any claim upon our life, it doesn’t belong to you any more.**

- **So, there is no reason to get upset over anything** that happens to you in your life, you are not in control over anything, Jesus is.
- **The only thing** you are in control over, is how you will react to whatever the Lord is doing in your life.
- **How you react is the “Test”** that the Lord places upon you, so that you can see how you will react when under fire.
- **By realizing just how weak we still are** in these areas, we become totally dependant upon the Lord for everything.
- **One of the meanings of “Bondservant”** is that we become totally and exclusively available to Jesus for any use or purpose He might desire.
- **We give Jesus permission** to put us into any situation He desires, so that we can see ourselves for who we really are.

**Let me give you an example:**

When Elsie and I left California June 24, 1994, we didn’t know where the Lord wanted for us to end up to minister.

We tried to choose for ourselves, Missoula Montana, or Newport Beach Oregon. You know the beautiful pines or the beautiful beach.

Each time we tried these places the Lord told us NO!

The place that He chose for us was right here in Winslow. **Now I never would have chosen Winslow for myself.**

**Why is that?** Because I try to make choices based upon what looks good to me. **The Lord makes choices for me based upon what He knows about me and how He needs to get me to where He wants for me to be...**

**I have to tell you,** the choice the Lord made for me to live and minister here in Winslow is the Greatest Joy of my life. I would have missed it if I had chosen something else for myself.

**There is such peace in just surrendering to whatever the Lord wants to do.**

**I would not have chosen myself** to give up the Holbrook church and minister only in Winslow. I didn't really want to listen when the Lord was telling me to give Holbrook to Dean.

**I thought** *"No, I really love those people in Holbrook just as much as I love the people in Winslow, I don't want to quit ministering to them..."*

**But you know what?** Both these churches belong to the Lord, not to me. I need to be willing to do whatever He asks me to do.

I thought and reasoned all of the points that I believed were the rationale for why I should not do it.

**But there was only one problem,** I was reasoning from a very limited knowledge as a human being.

I know today that I am happier, more at peace and better satisfied than at any other time in my life.

**All along the Lord was moving us to this place** where He really wanted to bless my socks off, but I was fighting Him, *"No lord I don't want to do it!"*

### **Hebrews 2:10**

For it was fitting for the Father, for whom belong all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make **the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.**

**Some of us might be saying this morning:** *"Hey I didn't understand this when I asked Jesus into my life. I didn't know I was giving up all rights to my body, my heart, my mind, every aspect of my life."*

*“I didn’t know that when I became a Christian, it was going to be so hard, that I was in fact giving the Lord permission to put me into trials...”*

Well, may I say to you this morning, exactly what did you think that was meant by:

### **Mark 8:34**

...Jesus said to them, **“Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.**

What exactly happens on a Cross, *“The death of the flesh”, right?*

- **Did you really think** that a person that is hanging there upon the Cross still has rights, that they can just do whatever they want to?
- **To** *“Take up the Cross”* means a conscious awareness that the old life as I knew it before is “DEAD”.
- **It is no longer I who live now**, it is Jesus who is living His life through me. Hey that sounds like a verse!

### **Galatians 2:20**

**I have been crucified** with Christ; **it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me;** and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

**When we finally get this into our** “Mellon”, we then begin to have Peace and Satisfaction in our life. *“Oh Lord, this is you working in my life right now, OK Lord, I trust you because I know you love me and have my best interest at heart...”*

**This is the topic of our study this morning:** *“Jesus never said that it would be easy, but he said that it would be worth it”*

### **Romans 8:18**

**For I consider** that **the sufferings of this present time** are not worthy *to be compared* with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

What are you this morning? Are you this “By the Will of God”?

- “I am Rob, the pastor of the Winslow Church, by the Will of God.
- “I am Rob, I live in Winslow by the Will of God.”
- “I am Rob, I suffer this and that, By the Will of God.”
- **Can you say with confidence this morning**, “I am \_\_\_\_\_ by the will of God.
- **Can you say with the same confidence;** “*I am \_\_\_\_ I am suffering this by the Will of God?*
- **You see, it is not that you are making a bold statement that you had some kind of a Revelation from the Lord that what you are doing is His Will!**

**It is just Knowing that** whatever you are right now, where you live, where you work, what kinds of things are going on in your life, **You now understand that all this is “By the Will of God.”**

- **This is what Paul** came to realize, that as things happened to him throughout his life, He became aware that the Lord was doing this.
- **The things that The Lord does in our life**, include the things that we view as “**Good Things**” and the things that we view as “**Bad Things**”.
- **You see**, it is only from our perspective that we view certain difficulties as “Bad”.
- **From the Lords perspective**, the bad that He allows, is to bring about the Good.

### **Isaiah 45:7**

I am the one who creates the light and makes the darkness. I am the one who sends **good times** and bad times. I, the LORD, am the one who does these things.

**David, at the end of his life, made this confession:**

### **2 Samuel 23:5**

...Yet He has made with me an everlasting covenant, Ordered in **all things** and secure. For *this is* all my salvation and all *my* desire; Will He not make *it* increase?

- **Jesus is so mighty**, that nothing can happen to you that He cannot change the outcome of to make it turn out exactly as He intends. You will find afterward that It really had a good purpose.
- **You will not be able to understand this** during the difficulty, only by going all the way through it, and giving the Lord time to work, trusting Him by Faith, will you see at the end how He was working.

2 To Timothy, a beloved son: Grace, **mercy**, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

**As we previously learned in 1 Timothy, Paul adds something here to his normal introduction.**

- **In most** of Paul’s other letters, he begins “**Grace and Peace**”.
- **To Timothy**, the 17 year old pastor of the Ephesian Church, Paul adds “**Mercy**”.
- **Having been a pastor** now for almost 10 years and having served other pastors for another 10 years, **I know that we need more mercy.**
- **“Mercy is not getting what we really deserve.”**
- **I am keenly aware** of my own failures, weaknesses, and inadequacies.
- **My greatest fear** is that I might say or do something that would bring dishonor to Jesus or that might cause you to stumble.
- **So, for this reason, as pastors we live with this consciousness of how inadequate we really are, so we need the Lords Mercy** “*New Every Morning*”

3 I thank God, whom I serve with a pure conscience, as *my* forefathers *did*, as without ceasing **I remember you in my prayers** night and day,

**A week and a half ago, I began to discover a new dimension in my life.**

- **The depth** and richness of a daily prayer life.
- **We began to meet here** in the sanctuary at 11 am and 7 pm every day to pray for Winslow and the people of Winslow.
- **Unexpected by me, was how much this has blessed my own life.**
- **I am experiencing a depth of intimacy**, a powerful peace in my heart that I never have felt before.
- **This daily communion** with the Father is changing me in ways that I did not expect.

**Paul must have learned this at some point in his own life, because we see examples over and over again of his “Praying without Ceasing night and day”**

- **I would encourage you** to come and experience this for yourself by making the sacrifice of coming here at 11 or 7 or both a couple days a week.
- **You will find** that making this effort, praying with us, seeking the Lord every week, will drastically change your life.
- **There will be peace that you have never known**, and a greater desire to surrender more of your life to Jesus than every before.

4 greatly desiring to see you, being mindful of your tears, that I may be filled with joy,  
5 when I call to remembrance the genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also.

**What we know about this young man Timothy is that he had a very timid personality.** Being timid is to have a lack of self confidence or ability.

- **Imagine that!**, the Lord would want to use someone that doesn't have much confidence in their self!
- **In fact**, these are the only people that the Lord really uses, those empty of confidence.
- **Only these** can he find enough room to fill up with Himself. If He looks inside you and you are already full of yourself, there is no room for Him.
- **Sometimes He will take us through** a process of emptying us, before He can fill us up with Himself.

**Timothy was raised in a Christian home, where both his mother Eunice and Grandmother Lois were Christians.**

- **They read to and taught** Timothy the Scriptures from the time that he was a baby.
- **In case you do not know**, the only way you will grow as a Christian is by reading, studying the Entire Word of God.

- **Flowery sermons** that make you feel good and entertain you, please your flesh, but they will never cause your Spirit to grow.
- **Any Church** that takes you systematically through the entire Bible, those people are receiving the “**Full counsel of God**”.
- **We constantly hear** of how those of you who make the effort to come twice a week to learn the Word of God, “*That you are really growing.*”
- **It will become apparent** to you in a very short time, the difference learning the Word of God verse by verse, Book by Book will make in your life.

**Every single subject that a human being may experience in their lifetime is covered in these pages of the Bible.** Whatever your problem, question or need, you will find it addressed here in the Word of God.

I believe that if the people of Winslow knew this, there would not be enough room to sit here in this building anytime the Word of God was being taught.

6 Therefore I remind you to **stir up the gift of God which is in you** through the laying on of my hands.

**When Jesus came into your life, He brought with Him One special and unique gift for you.**

- **He knows you so well**, because He created every cell of your body.
- **He knows the real you**, the Spirit of you that lives in this body.
- **He knows what Gift** that would immensely bless you, this is the one that He gave to you.

**Do you know what your gift is?**

- **One of the things** that will happen to you, if you will actively seek to become involved here at Calvary Chapel, is that the Lord will show you what your gift is.
- **By participating** in helping with the different needs of the ministry, you will begin to discover what your individual gift is.
- **When you are exercising this gift**, you will find that you are very fulfilled and Blessed, and so are those who see your gift in action.
- **I believe that the scriptures** give us a partial list of some of the gifts, but I feel that this is not a complete list.

**The gifts that are listed in the Bible are found in two places:**

1. Romans 12
2. 1 Corinthians 12

**These 2 lists of gifts, have 2 different categories:**

1. Administrative Gifts.

## 2. Gifts of the Spirit.

**I personally believe that there are many gifts that fall under these main categories that are not listed here..**

### “Spiritual Gifts”

#### **1 Corinthians 12:1, 8-10**

1 Now concerning **spiritual gifts**, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant:

**8** for to one is given the **word of wisdom** through the Spirit, to another the **word of knowledge** through the same Spirit,

**9** to another **faith** by the same Spirit, to another **gifts of healings** by the same Spirit,

**10** to another the **working of miracles**, to another **prophecy**, to another **discerning of spirits**, to another **different kinds of tongues**, to another the **interpretation of tongues**.

1. Word of Wisdom
2. Word of Knowledge.
3. Faith.
4. Healing.
5. Miracles.
6. Prophecy.
7. Discerning of spirits.
8. Tongues.
9. Interpretation of tongues.

### “Administrative gifts”

#### **1 Corinthians 12:28-30**

**28** And **God has appointed these** in the church: first **apostles**, second **prophets**, third **teachers**, after that **miracles**, then gifts of **healings, helps, administrations**, varieties of tongues.

**29** Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all workers of miracles?

**30** Do all have gifts of healings? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret?

1. Apostles.
2. Prophets.
3. Teachers.
4. Help/assist
5. Administration/supervise

### **Additional gifts of the spirit:** Romans chapter 12:6-8

#### **Romans 12:6-8**

**6** Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, *let us use them*: if **prophecy**, *let us prophesy* in proportion to our faith;

**7** or **ministry**, *let us use it* in our ministering; he who **teaches**, in teaching;

8 he who **exhorts**, in exhortation; he who **gives**, with liberality; he who **leads**, with diligence; he who shows **mercy**, with cheerfulness.

1. Prophecy
2. Ministry/Serve
3. Teach.
4. Exhortation/encourage.
5. Giving.
6. Leadership.
7. Mercy

**These gifts are Given To Us—By The Lord—“According To His Measure...**

**Ephesians 4:7**

7 But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift NKJV

Now, most of us spend a great deal of our life as a Follower of Jesus, trying to figure out which one of these gifts we have.

Now, **If David—came from the fellowship area to bring me a glass of water—and as he made his way towards the podium—he stumbled and fell—spilling the water and breaking the glass—how would you respond?**

- If you had THE GIFT OF PROPHECY—you might say to David:  
• **“David—listen carefully—The Word of God says that the world is full of things that can make you stumble—be careful how you walk...”**
- If you had THE GIFT OF MINISTRY—you might respond:  
• **“Where is the mop—I will clean this up!”**
- The person with THE GIFT OF TEACHING would say:  
• **“David—listen buddy—when you carry a glass of water—make sure that you wipe away all of the condensation from the outside of the glass—then apply 47 pounds of pressure with your right hand—47 pounds of pressure with your left hand—and walk slowly...”**
- If you had THE GIFT OF GIVING—you might say:  
• **“How much did that cost—I will pay for it!”**
- The person with THE GIFT OF LEADING—would say:  
• **“I wonder who placed those chairs there like that—that was not good planning—I will re arrange those chairs...”**
- The person with THE GIFT OF MERCY—would blubber:  
• **“Oh Dave—come here big guy—I know just how you feel—I used to spill things myself when I was your age...”**

- The person with THE GIFT OF EXHORTATION—would say:
- **“Come on David—lets just go get another glass of water—just be a little more careful next time—I know you can do it—your a great kid!”**

**Are you getting the point?—did you see yourself answering one of those ways?**

- **This is what** the meaning of these scriptures are. The body of Jesus Christ acting together in perfect unity.
- Every person looks at the same event—but sees it through their own unique perspective and ministry.

**Were any one of those views right or wrong—no way!—it just means that each one of those persons is gifted differently by the lord.**

- **How did you** see what David did?
- **Do you recognize** that we should not get all over someone if they see things different than you do.
- **Your perceptive** indicates your place in the body of Christ. **Your job is not to change others, but to accept their gift.** You do what the lord has called you to, using your unique gift.

**This is the idea behind what Paul is telling this young guy Timothy:**

6 Therefore I remind you to **stir up the gift of God which is in you**

7 For God has not given **us a spirit of fear**, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

**Is fear a bad thing?**

- **Fear was created** inside of you for a good purpose.
- **If fear is channeled** into the right place it can be a very useful emotion.
- **If danger is near** and fear causes you to flee from the danger, this is one of the reasons the Lord created fear in you.

**Here, the Greek word for fear is: “Deilia”, (Di-lee’-ah) literally It is “To be a coward”.**

- **The negative undesirable** use of fear is when we become so cowardly that it prevents us from trusting the Lord.
- **If your fear paralyzes you, keeps you from moving forward**, keeps you at home when you are afraid instead at church, keeps you from praying or keeps you from asking the Lord for help, this is “**Delia**”, “Cowardly fear.”

This is not the kind of fear the Lord desires for you...

**7 times in the New Testament Jesus said “Do not Fear...”**

Because Jesus has given you instead, “POWER, LOVE and a SOUND MIND”.

- **What is** so bad about fear?
- **Well, does fear** of the unknown things of your life cause you to **Run To Jesus or Run From Jesus?**
- **Are you willing** to face your problems head on, with the Lord, or do you run from them?

One day Linus and Charlie Brown are walking along talking with each other.

Linus says to Charlie Brown: "I don't like to face problems head on.

I think the best way to solve problems is to avoid them, In fact this is distinct philosophy of mine.

There is no problem so big or complicated that is cannot be run away from!"

**Is that your philosophy of how to handle a problem.**

- Whenever possible, avoid them at all times.
- If that fails, then just run away from them.

**If that has been your philosophy in the past, where have you run to?**

- **The bars**, finding comfort in becoming numb.
- **A quick high** in drugs to forget the world.
- **To your house**, avoid everyone, just hide out!
- **To the movies**, you would be surprised how many people go to the movies to Loose themselves for awhile, and escape reality.

**Here Paul recognizing that Timothy is struggling with a multitude of problems there as a pastor, reminds Timothy**

7 For God has **not given us a spirit of fear**, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

**This "Sound Mind" is The "Sophronismos"** (So-fron-is-mos') in the Greek language.

The "Discipline, self Controlled". Mind

- **The idea here** is that when things begin to cause fear inside of you and you are tempted to run someplace, **stop for a moment and evaluate:**
  1. **Who does** your life belong to?
  2. **What did** Jesus do to purchase your life?
    - He humbled Himself and became a man.
    - Died an unimaginable horrible death.

- Raised Himself from the dead.
3. **Does the knowledge** of who you belong to and how powerful and righteous Jesus is give you any confidence.
  4. **Are you reminded** that the same power that raised Jesus from the dead, is also your power!
  5. **Yes?** Then this is the “Sound Mind”, the “Disciplined mind”, the “Self controlled” mind.”
  6. **The “Sound Mind”** It is trained to understand that *fear is an emotion*.
  7. **Emotions** can change in an instant.
  8. **What never changes** is Jesus and His love for us and His power in our life, and His Word.
  9. **So we have disciplined**, trained our mind by exposing it to the Word of God, so that instead of Fear, we will Trust.

**Now, If you find that you have a problem with fear**, Jesus will continually place you in scary situations, so that you can learn to ignore the fear and panic emotion when your life falls apart.

- **Instead**, determine to trust Him with all that you are and all that you have!
- **You now have a sound mind**, because your mind has been trained by the Word of God that Jesus is in control. Jesus will make this turn our awesome!

### **Luke 12:32**

“Do not fear, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

8 Therefore **do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord**, nor of me His prisoner, but share with me in the sufferings for the gospel according to the power of God,  
9 who has **saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose** and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began,  
10 but has **now been revealed** by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, *who* has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel,  
11 to which I was appointed a preacher, an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles.

- Notice in verse 9, that Jesus saved you with a Purpose!
- What is that purpose?
- The same purpose that Paul says is for his life in verse 8: “**...share with me in the sufferings...**”

OH, aren’t you so glad that you came to Church today? What an upbeat, edifying message SUFFERING! **That we are going to share in Jesus suffering...**

That through the things we suffer, it has the effect of conforming us into the image of Jesus.

In Acts chapter 9, a guy by the name of Cornelius is told to go and find Paul, notice what the Lord tells Cornelius about Paul's life:

**Acts 9:16**

For **I will show him how many things he must suffer** for My name's sake."

**Did you think that when you became a Christian, your life would be easier?**

**John 16:33 Jesus Said:**

These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. **In the world you will have tribulation;** but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

**The word "Tribulation" means TROUBLE.**

**Now there are 3 kinds of trouble we can find ourselves in:**

1. The kind of trouble that finds us even though **we did not do anything** to cause it.
2. The kind of trouble that happens to us **because we did something stupid or wrong.**
3. The kind of Trouble that finds us because of **something that someone else did.**

**The kind of suffering that the Lord has ordained for us is this First kind:** Suffering that happens to us even though we didn't do anything to cause it.

**Now, if you have messed up your life and you are suffering for it, the Lord did not will this for you.** If you are suffering because someone else messed up your life, the Lord did not will this for you.

**But...even if it was not your fault, If you will give your life to Jesus and ask Him to be Lord and Savior of your life, He promises you this:**

**Romans 8:28-29**

28 And we know that **all things work together for good** to **those who love God**, to those who are called according to His purpose.

29 For whom He foreknew, **He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son**, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren

The Lord's promise to you this morning is that even if you have messed up your entire life up, even to the present moment, **Jesus can use these things to make everything turn out for good, if you will fully commit yourself to Him.**

There is the kind of suffering that we all undergo, not necessarily because we are at any fault, but just because of what Jesus said: *"In this world you will have Trouble..."*

**It is through the trouble of our life that God teaches us Obedience.**

**Obedience is defined as:** *“The action or condition of Obeying an Authority”*

Sorry gang, we just cannot learn to really make Jesus Lord of our life unless we suffer, and through the suffering we are drawn to Jesus, with the result we learn to trust Him.

### **Hebrews**

5:8 though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered.

When He was 7 years Old, his family was forced out of their home because of a legal technicality, and he had to work to help support them.

At age 9, His mother died.

At age 22 He lost his job as a store clerk.

He had wanted to go to law school but because he had to work to support his family he didn't have enough education to go to law school.

At 23 he went into debt to become a partner in a small store.

At 26, his business partner died, leaving him with a huge debt that took years to repay.

At 28, after courting a girl for 4 years, he asked her to marry him, She said NO!

At 37, on his 3rd try, he was elected to Congress, two years later he failed to be re elected.

At 41, his 4 year old son Died.

At 45, he ran for the Senate and lost.

At 51 he was elected President of the United States.

His name was Abraham Lincoln...SOME PEOPLE GET ALL THE BREAKS!!!

**Would you say that Abraham Lincoln had a life full of PAIN, SUFFERING, SETBACKS, DISAPPOINTMENT, FAILURES AND TROUBLE?**

**WOULD YOU SAY THAT IT WAS WORTH IT?**

Even so, all the things you are going through right now. All the Pain, Suffering, Setbacks, Disappointments, Failures and Trouble, IT IS NOT EASY JESUS SAID...BUT IT WILL BE WORTH IT.

**12 For this reason I also suffer these things**; nevertheless I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day.

I pray that after we leave here this morning, we will no longer be afraid of the suffering that Jesus promised us that a “WILL COME INTO OUR LIFE”

**I pray that we will not be ashamed to tell other people** *“I suffer in my life because the Lord loves me so much that He is using the things that happened to me to make me into a person just like Jesus...”*

**...Because this is how Jesus learned Himself,** *“Through the things that He suffered...”*

13 Hold fast the pattern of sound words which you have heard from me, in faith and love which are in Christ Jesus.

14 That good thing which was committed to you, keep by the Holy Spirit who dwells in us.

15 This you know, that all those in Asia have turned away from me, among whom are Phygellus and Hermogenes.

16 The Lord grant mercy to the household of Onesiphorus, for he often refreshed me, and was not ashamed of my chain;

17 but when he arrived in Rome, he sought me out very zealously and found *me*.

18 The Lord grant to him that he may find mercy from the Lord in that Day—and you know very well how many ways he ministered *to me* at Ephesus.

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