



~ Thought For The Day ~

~gathering from the 4 winds~

“come just as you are”

Refresh, Restore, Rebuild = Healing



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Prayer

God Father; in Jesus' name I ask it, that You give us the will daily to mediate on the Word and fellowship with You. I ask that You give each of us wisdom and understanding as we read the Word, let it come alive to each of us. Refresh each of us in the spirit, rekindle each of us. Give us peace. Cause us to see the beauty in what you created, the wonder of it. Fill us each day with whom to pray for and whom to bless and how; whether by prayer, exhorting, encouragement, assisting. Thank You my Lord for all that You do, we do not tell You thank You enough Father. Thank You for also correcting us when necessary, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Worship Music

[He Ain't Heavy He's My Brother-The Hollies](#)

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[Heart Of God-Chuck Girard](#)

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Scripture

2 Timothy 4 (2005)

2 Timothy 4:1-22 (KJV)

- ¹I charge *thee* therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;
- ²Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.
- ³For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;
- ⁴And they shall turn away *their* ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.
- ⁵But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.
- ⁶For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.
- ⁷I have fought a good fight, I have finished *my* course, I have kept the faith:
- ⁸Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.
- ⁹Do thy diligence to come shortly unto me:
- ¹⁰For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia.
- ¹¹Only Luke is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with thee: for he is profitable to me for the ministry.
- ¹²And Tychicus have I sent to Ephesus.
- ¹³The cloak that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring *with thee*, and the books, *but* especially the parchments.
- ¹⁴Alexander the coppersmith did me much evil: the Lord reward him according to his works:
- ¹⁵Of whom be thou ware also; for he hath greatly withstood our words.
- ¹⁶At my first answer no man stood with me, but all *men* forsook me: *I pray God* that it may not be laid to their charge.

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- ¹⁷ Notwithstanding the Lord stood with me, and strengthened me; that by me the preaching might be fully known, and *that* all the Gentiles might hear: and I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion.
- ¹⁸ And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve *me* unto his heavenly kingdom: to whom *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.
- ¹⁹ Salute Prisca and Aquila, and the household of Onesiphorus.
- ²⁰ Erastus abode at Corinth: but Trophimus have I left at Miletum sick.
- ²¹ Do thy diligence to come before winter. Eubulus greeteth thee, and Pudens, and Linus, and Claudia, and all the brethren.
- ²² The Lord Jesus Christ *be* with thy spirit. Grace *be* with you. Amen.



Paul's solemn farewell charge (vv. 1-5). Paul knew that the day of his execution was approaching, and he was not sure that he would ever see Timothy again or even have the opportunity to write him another letter. He begs Timothy to keep his mind on the day of the Lord's appearing and to preach Jesus with unceasing diligence. Again Paul mentions false teachers (vv. 3-4). O how the perverse determination of people to corrupt the Gospel of Christ bothered Paul. Paul's triumphant future; (vv. 6-8). This is the grandest utterance of the grandest mortal man who ever lived. The battle scarred old warrior of the Cross, looking back over a long and hard and bitter fight, cries out in exultation, "I have won!" Not long afterward, the executioner's ax released Paul's soul from his worn and broken body, to be borne away by flights of angels to his beloved Lord. We imagine that his welcome in heaven surpassed any triumphal procession of returning conquerors he had ever witnessed in Rome. Our guess is that when he got to heaven, his very first act, after a rendezvous with the Lord, was to hunt up Stephen to beg his forgiveness. Personal matters; (vv. 9-22). Whether Timothy got to Rome before Paul's martyrdom (v. 9) we do not know. The first stage of Paul's trial had already passed (v. 16). Things looked so bad for him that even three of his four travel companions had fled, so that Luke alone remained (vv. 10-11). Whether Titus went to Dalmatia (v. 10) of his own accord or was sent by Paul, as he and Paul may have planned in Nicopolis (Titus 3:12), is not stated. These were dark days in Rome. Many Christians had been murdered. Now the great Christian leader himself was on trial. It was dangerous to be seen with him. Mark (v. 11); Paul wanted him. They had separated years before (Acts 15:36-41), but Mark had been with Paul during his first Roman imprisonment (Colossians 4:10). Mark and Peter worked together, and if Mark got to Rome, perhaps Peter did also. One of the traditions is that Peter was martyred in Rome at about the same time as Paul or soon thereafter. The "cloak" (v. 13) winter was coming (v. 21), and Paul needed it. The "scrolls" or books (v. 13) were probably parts of the Scripture. Alexander (v.14) was no doubt the same Alexander whom Paul had delivered to Satan (1 Timothy 1:20), who now had his opportunity to get even. And he did. He had traveled all the way from Ephesus to Rome to testify against Paul, which he did with considerable success. The "lion" (17) may be a veiled reference to Nero, or it may refer to Satan (1 Peter 5:8). Trophimus (v. 20); this is a very interesting sidelight on Paul's power to work miracles. Paul had healed man people in various places, but here was one of his own beloved friends he could not heal. (Halley's Bible Handbook; Henry Halley; 2000; history and commentaries; pages 844-845) (A note about Henry Halley...his ministry was the Bible, he studied every faucet of it, and was gifted in the fact that he knew each Bible book and chapter by memory, he toured the world teaching the Bible and spent his whole life studying the Bible....his children carry on the legacy, when historical sights are found. He died in 1965, to date he is still one of the top, factual Bible scholars. His book is used in most Bible seminaries, and used to educate pastors all over the world, he could recite the Bible for 25 hours straight, to learn the Bible as he states in his Bib, he studied on the long train, traveling trips, while building homes in California, and on breaks, though he had retired as a pastor, his doctor said he needed outdoor work. One night he was called to preach at a local church, and he forgot his notes, the Holy Spirit directed him to recite the sermon on the mount and the other scriptures and the rest is history. He stated that several nights he woke up reciting Scripture as though it had been branded into his mind...he wanted everyone to study and read the Bible, so he shared his love of the Lord and the Word. He was 39 when he started memorizing the Bible...) (Trivia; one of my mentors was Pastor Vernon Smith; at 85 he still preached in the nursing home on a scooter. He recited Scripture to me continuouslybook by book..than before he passed away in one of our telephone conversations he told me....you do know that I only have a second grade education, right? I go no I did not know that, he goes and you do know that I can't read, right? I go oh really I didn't know that, and I go but than how do you know the Bible book by book, scripture by scripture? He goes the Holy Spirit. He also prayed for me for 20 years, the Holy Spirit kept nudging me to call him, so I asked my parents for his telephone number I had not spoke to him in over ten years, when I thanked him for being kind to my parents as neighbors. I called and told him that I was a pastor now, and he goes, I knew the Lord had something for you to do, that is why I kept praying for you.....than we talked about age and aging and he gave me Psalm 92 to read and he recited it to me word for word, and I have never forgotten it....so when I think of age I read Psalm 92)

Christ will judge the nations when He sets up His Kingdom. The work of the minister is to reprove, rebuke, and exhort when necessary. Paul knew he'd be executed soon, and this might be his last chance to encourage Timothy in the ministry. The Mark is the same Mark who deserted Paul and Barnabas on the first missionary journey. He was the cause of their disagreement and parting of ways. Now Paul has forgiven Mark and considers him a profitable servant of God. Paul warned Timothy to beware of Alexander. At Paul's first appearance before Caesar none of his

friends stood by him for moral support. Jesus is the faithful friend who stands with us when everyone else forsakes us. Priscilla and Aquila had been Paul's friends since the early days of his ministry. (New Testament Study Guide; 2005; Chuck Smith; commentaries; page 137)

In 2 Timothy 4:5, Paul gives Timothy some helpful instructions on how to handle his ministry. What he says is good advice for all of us. If we are calm and steady, people know they can depend on us. God can depend on us. No one has to wonder what we might be like from one day to the next. When our unsaved friends see the calm and steady faith we have, they will be open to our testimony of the Gospel. Stability is a necessary trait in every believer's life, one that brings personal blessings and peace, which attracts others. Paul experienced a lot to take the Gospel to the early world. He was persecuted, beaten and thrown in prison for preaching the Good News. Many times he suffered because of opposition, as he describes in 2 Timothy 4:14-16. In this passage, Paul basically says, "Alexander the coppersmith has done me great wrong, but I am not going to worry about it. I am not going to get full of bitterness and hatred. I am going to let God handle it. He will take care of it." How much better our lives would be if we took that attitude toward so many things, if we would just cast our care on the Lord and allow Him to handle them for us. What was Paul's response to the one's who abandoned him? He prayed that their failure would not be laid to their charge. That shows us his heart. We can go through the Bible and look at the great men and women of God, and we can quickly see why they were called heroes of the faith. It was not because they were smarter than everybody else or because they had more going for them in the natural than others. It was simply because they had great hearts. Ask God to give you the heart of a hero too.

Study Questions For 2ND Timothy:

1. According to 2 Timothy 1:9, why has God saved us and called us?

2. What are the four faithful sayings found in 2 Timothy 2:11-13?

3. We are exhorted in 2 Timothy 2:22 to flee youthful lusts. What are we to seek instead?

4. List the characteristics of people in the last days, mentioned in 2 Timothy 3:1-5. How are we to deal with such people?

5. What does 2 Timothy 3:16-17 say about Scripture?

(Amplified Bible; The Everyday Life Bible; 2005; Joyce Meyers Ministry; Scripture, notes, commentaries; 2005; page 2014 -2016)

Psa 119:105
Thy word [is] a lamp unto
my feet, and a light unto my path.



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