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2 Timothy Introduction

The Call to Christian Perseverance

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Answering Nine Questions



- 1) Who wrote it? Paul
- 2) What do we know about the author? An Apostle
- 3) To whom was it written? Timothy
- 4) When was it written? A.D. 67
- 5) Where was it written from? Rome
- 6) Why was it written? Timothy's timidity
- 7) What is it about? <u>Perseverance</u>
- 8) What is inside (outline)? 4 part outline
- 9) What makes the book different? Paul's final word

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Four Part Structure

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Ten Metaphors Illustrating Endurance

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Ten Metaphors

- Teacher (2:2)
- Soldier (2:3-4)
- Athlete (2:5)
- Farmer (2:6)
- Cillist (2.7-8)
- Paul (2:9-10)
- Trustworthy statement (2:11-13)
- Workman (2:14-18)
- Vessel (2:19-23)
- Servant (2:24-26)

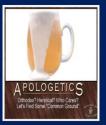
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Definition of Apostasy

- apos = away from
- histēmi = to stand
- Apostasy = to stand away from
- Apostasy = a departure from known (or previously embraced) truth



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Apostasy (3:1-4:8)

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B. Paul' Example (3:10-13)

II. The Antidote (3:10-4:8)A. Paul's example (3:10-13)B. Preach the Word (3:14-4:8)

- 1. Paul's ministry (10a)
- 2. Paul's character (10b
- 3. Paul's difficulties (11-13)



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INSPIRATION OF SCRIPTURE

2 Peter 2:20-21

- Men Wrote as they were inspired by Holy Spirit "phero" = to carry Acts 27:15,17
- Opposite of Knowledge of False Teachers
 - Which is their own imagination
 - Jer. 23:16



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Three Tenses of Salvation

Phase	Justification	Sanctification	Glorification
Tense	Past	<u>Present</u>	Future
Saved from sin's:	Penalty	<u>Power</u>	Presence
Scripture	Eph 2:8-9; Titus 3:5	Philip 2:12	Rom 5:10

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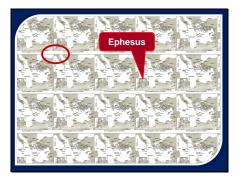
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Scripture's Impact Upon Equipping (3:17) 1. "in order that" 2. "the man of God" 3. "may be" That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished to all good

- 4. "adequate"
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- 7. <u>"every"</u>



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2 Peter 1:3-4

Seeing that His divine power has granted to us <u>everything</u> pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence. For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent <u>promises</u>, so that by them you may become partakers of *the* divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.

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Conclusion

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In order that

2 Tim 2:19-23-Nevertheless, the firm foundation of God stands, having this seal, "The Lord knows those who are His," and, "Everyone who names the name of the Lord is to abstain from wickedness." Now in a large house there are not only gold and silver vessels, but also vessels of wood and of earthenware, and some to honor and some to dishonor. ²¹ Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from these *things*, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified, useful to the Master, prepared for every good work. ²² Now flee from youthful lusts and pursue righteousness, faith, love *and* peace, with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart. ²³ But refuse foolish and ignorant speculations, knowing that they produce ^[a] quarrels.

Man of God

1 Tim. 6:11-But flee from these things, you man of God, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, ^[h] perseverance *and* gentleness.

May be

2 Tim. 2:15-Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth.

good work

Eph. 2:8-10-For by grace you have been saved through faith; and ^[h]that not of yourselves, *it is* the gift of God; ⁹ not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰ For we are His

workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.

John 15:5-I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing.

John 15:8-My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit, and *so* ^[d]prove to be My disciples.

Constable-"Every good work" is the ultimate goal of our lives (Eph. 2:10). The mastery and use of Scripture is only a means to an end, not an end in itself. God did not give us the Bible just to satisfy our curiosity, but to enable us to help other people spiritually.

Barclay-"He [the Christian] must study the Scriptures to make himself useful to God and useful to his fellow men. He must study, not simply and solely to save his own soul, but that he may make himself such that God will use him to help to save the souls and comfort the lives of others."

Equipped

Eph. 4:11-16-And He gave some *as* apostles, and some *as* prophets, and some *as* evangelists, and some *as* pastors and teachers, ¹² for the **equipping of the** ^[d]saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ; ¹³ until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the ^[e]knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature ^[f]which belongs to the fullness of Christ. ¹⁴ ^[g]As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried

about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness ^[h]in deceitful scheming; ¹⁵ but ^[i]speaking the truth in love, ^[i]we are to grow up in all *aspects* into Him who is the head, *even* Christ, ¹⁶ from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together ^[k]by what every joint supplies, according to the ^[l]proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.

Every

Eph. 6:16-in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish <u>all</u> the flaming arrows of the evil *one*.

1 John 2:14-I have written to you, fathers, because you know Him who has been from the beginning. I have written to you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of God abides in you, and you have overcome the evil one.

Eph 5:22-6:4-Wives, *be subject* to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³ For the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ also is the head of the church, He Himself *being* the Savior of the body. ²⁴ But as the church is subject to Christ, so also the wives *ought to be* to their husbands in everything. ²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her, ²⁶ so that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷ that He might present to Himself the church ^[q]in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she would be holy and blameless. ²⁸ So husbands ought also to love their own wives as their own bodies. He who loves his own wife loves himself; ²⁹ for no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as

Christ also *does* the church, ³⁰ because we are members of His body. ³¹ FOR THIS REASON A MAN SHALL LEAVE HIS FATHER AND MOTHER AND SHALL BE JOINED TO HIS WIFE, AND THE TWO SHALL BECOME ONE FLESH. ³² This mystery is great; but I am speaking with reference to Christ and the church.

Nevertheless, each individual among you also is to love his own wife even as himself, and the wife must *see to it* that she respects her husband. Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honor your father and mother (which is the first commandment with a promise), SO THAT IT MAY BE WELL WITH YOU, AND THAT YOU MAY LIVE LONG ON THE EARTH. Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

Ephes. 6:5-9-Slaves, be obedient to those who are your ^[a]masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in the sincerity of your heart, as to Christ; ⁶ not ^[b]by way of eyeservice, as men-pleasers, but as slaves of Christ, doing the will of God from the ^[c]heart. ⁷ With good will ^[d]render service, as to the Lord, and not to men, ⁸ knowing that whatever good thing each one does, this he will receive back from the Lord, whether slave or free. ⁹ And masters, do the same things to them, and give up threatening, knowing that both their Master and yours is in heaven, and there is no partiality with Him.

Num. 6:24-26-""The LORD bless you and keep you; ²⁵ the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; ²⁶ the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace."