



A SYNOPSIS OF PAUL’S SECOND EPISTLE TO TIMOTHY

Today we begin our _____ of 2 Timothy. This letter (epistle) is written to Timothy the pastor of the church at Ephesus and Paul’s beloved spiritual son in the Lord. 1 Timothy addressed the proper operation and function of the local church; this second letter speaks to the man himself. Here the apostle gives very intimate, personal and _____ advice to a pastor and fellow servant who is “*fighting the good fight.*” Although the apostle is experiencing his second and final imprisonment it is possible he saw Timothy again before he was executed by the Roman Emperor Nero. This was his _____ inspired writing to Timothy, or anyone else for that matter. We will do well to pay close attention to what God has to say to us through his last words.

Title means: _____ God; worshipper of God

Timothy (*also called Timotheus*) is referred to by name _____ times in the NT of your King James Bible

This letter is the second of _____ NT books referred to as the “*Pastoral Epistles.*” The other two books are 1 Timothy and Titus

Tally statistics: Chapters ____ Verses _____ Words 1,703 ... _____

Author: The Apostle _____ – 2 Timothy 1:1-2

Time of writing: _____ - _____ AD – 2 Timothy was authored by Paul during his second and final Roman imprisonment just before his execution (*see footnote at conclusion of epistle*)

Theme: Be _____ to the end and endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ

Key Verses: 2:3-4 ... _____

Key Chapter: ____ – This chapter contains the list of requirements for all enduring and successful saints and _____:

- Verses 1-2 An enduring saint/ministry reproduces itself
- Verses 3-13 An enduring saint/ministry moves forward through difficulties
- Verses 14-18 A studious saint/ministry is always learning and correcting error
- Verses 19-26 A holy saint/ministry maintains purity

Three basic applications of scripture

- Historical – Paul writes his final letter to Timothy to encourage, comfort, and _____ him just prior to his execution
- Doctrinal – God teaches us to *“fight the good fight”* during these _____ days of apostasy
- Devotional – The Christian life is _____, especially leadership roles. We must endure hardness and live out the gospel. We must endure hardness and always be faithful to preach the _____ and the gospel

Chapter outline:

- 1 – Be faithful to “_____” the word of God – 1:13
- 2 – Be faithful to “_____ and _____” the word of God – 2:2, 15
- 3 – Be faithful to “_____” for the word of God – 3:12
- 4 – Be faithful to “_____” the word of God – 4:1-2