

## THINGS TO REMEMBER

### II Timothy 2:8-14

Intro:

- A. Paul desires Timothy to come to him.
  - 1. He is in prison in Rome.
  - 2. Paul wanted him to come shortly. 4:9
  - 3. He wanted Timothy to bring some things. 4:13
  - 4. He wanted him to come before winter. 4:21
  
- B. Timothy must accept the consequences of identifying himself with Paul.
  - 1. All in Asia, save one, had forsaken him. vs 15
  - 2. Timothy must be a joint sufferer. 1:8
  - 3. He must endure hardship. 2:3
  
- C. Memory must play a part in his ministry.
  - 1. Timothy should remember why Paul is in prison.
  - 2. There were facts that Timothy must bring to the memory of those whom he taught.

### I. Paul's Crime Against Rome.

- A. Vs 8 "Remember that Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead according to my gospel:"
  - 1. "Remember" = μνημονεύω = "to call to memory".
  - 2. "Keep before your mind Jesus Christ" - TENT
  - 3. "Risen from the Lord, a descendant of David"  
WEY
  
- B. Vs 9 "Wherein I suffer trouble, as an evil doer,..."
  - 1. "Suffer trouble" = κακοπαθῶ = "to be afflicted".
  - 2. "Evil doer" = κακούργος = "a criminal" The word is used of those who died along with Jesus.
  
- C. "...even unto bonds; but the word of God is not bound."
  - 1. "Bonds" = δεσμός = "anything used for tieing".
  - 2. "Bound" = δεῶ = "to bind".
  - 3. "I am bound like a criminal but God's word is not in prison, (and never will be)."



II. Paul's Motive For Suffering. Vs 10

- A. "Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes,..."
1. "Endure" = ὑπομενω = "to remain under".
  2. "Elect" = εκλεκτος = "chosen out".
  3. "Therefore I am ready to stay under the load for God's chosen ones."
- B. "...that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory."
1. "Obtain" = τυγχανω = "to reach".
  2. "Salvation" = σωτηρια = "safety", "preserve".
  3. "In order that they to, like us, may reach the deliverance in Christ Jesus and everlasting glory."

III. Sayings One Can Depend On. Vs 11-13

- A. Vs 11 "It is a faithful saying:..."
1. "Faithful" = πιστος = "trustworthy".
  2. "It is a trustworthy statement" - NASB
  3. Paul now quotes a well-known sonnet, perhaps the words to a "spiritual song" to drive home the fact that one cannot forego suffering and expect a full reward.
- B. "...For if we be dead with him, we shall also live with him:"
1. "If we indeed have died with Him..."
  2. "We surely will live with Him."
- C. Vs 12a "If we suffer, we shall also reign with him:..."
1. "Suffer" = ὑπομενω = "to remain under".
  2. "If we go on to the end, then we will be ruling with Him." - BAS
- D. Vs 12b "...if we deny him, he also will deny us:"
1. "Deny" = αρνεομαι = "disown", "to say no", "refuse", "to decline".

2. If we say "no" to Him, He will say "no" to us
3. This has to do with receiving the reward of reigning with Him as a part of the Bride.
4. **Matthew 10:23-42**
  - a. This has to do with those Jews who would not confess Him to their families for fear of being disowned.

E. **Vs 13 "If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful:..."**

1. "Believe not" = ἀπιστεω = "to be unfaithful".
2. "Abideth" = μενω = "to remain".
3. "Faithful" = πιστος = "sure", "firm", "certain".

F. **"...he cannot deny himself."**

1. "Cannot" = δυναμαι , with a negative.
2. "Deny" = αρνεομαι = "disown".
3. "He does not have the power to disown Himself".
4. We are twice in Him. We are immersed into Him by faith. By immersion in water we become a member of His earthly body.

IV. Sayings One Cannot Depend Upon. Vs 14

A. **"Of these things put them in remembrance,..."**

1. "Remembrance" = υπομιμνησκω = "to remind someone of something".
2. "Keep on reminding men of those things" - WMS

B. **"...charging them before the Lord that they strive not about words to no profit,..."**

1. "Charging" = διμαρτυρομαι = "to solemnly charge someone".
2. "Strive" = λογομαχεω = "to wage a word war".
3. "Profit" = χρησιμος = "usable", "useful".
4. "To avoid waging war about words, which will not be useful..."

C. **"...but to the subverting of the hearers."**

1. "Subverting" = καταστροφη = "over-throw", "catastrophe", "destruction".
2. "But brings destruction on those who hear it"  
WMS