

## 2 Timothy

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### Lesson 7: 2 Timothy 1

If you knew you were going to die and had one final letter to write, what would you write? In this final letter to his beloved son in the faith, Paul's desire was to motivate Timothy to "not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord." Paul wrote this letter from prison knowing he was going to be martyred. Timothy needed encouragement to stay the course and continue to fulfill the ministry that he had been called to. In this letter there are principles for all believers who want to be used by God in this world. Let's dive in and see how we can be motivated to live for Christ today.

➤ **Read 2 Timothy 1:1–2**

1. In verse 1, how did Paul become an apostle?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. In verse 1, what does Paul cling to as he faces death?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. How does Paul describe Timothy in verse 2?

➤ **Read 2 Timothy 1:3–7**

4. In verses 3–4, what is Paul's desire?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. In verse 5, what is Paul reminded of as he thinks about Timothy?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
6. In verse 6–7, what is Paul reminding Timothy to do?

**Application:** What are things that distract you from living courageously for Christ?

**Application:** How can you “kindle afresh” your spiritual gift? In what ways would that benefit the church?

➤ **Read 2 Timothy 1:8–14**

7. In verse 8, what two things does Paul motivate Timothy to do?

8. In verses 9, what does God do in the believer’s life?

9. In verse 9, how far back does Paul trace our salvation?

10. In verse 10, what has been accomplished through the appearing of Christ?

11. In verse 11, what does Paul say he was appointed to?

**Application:** Have you ever suffered or been shamed for the gospel? Explain.

12. In verse 12, how is Paul able to have confidence?

**Application:** How can you encourage other believers in your life to have a bolder Christian walk?

13. In verses 13–14, what encouragement does Paul give Timothy?

**Application:** What do people add to the gospel today? What do false teachers take away from it? How can you guard yourself from straying?

➤ **Read 2 Timothy 1:15–18**

14. In verse 15, what does Paul say about Phygelus and Hermogenes?

15. In verse 16–18, why does Paul offer up a prayer for Onesiphorus?

16. According to verse 18, where did Onesiphorus live? What is the significance of this?

**Application:** How does the fear of suffering affect your intentions to speak boldly the gospel?

**Application:** What verse impacted you the most in this lesson? Why?