



Outline – Sunday School, September 24, 2017

Sermon Title: Bitter Sweet, Apostasy and Faithful

Text: 2 Timothy 1:15-18

- 1) **Apostasy, turning away, fallen and falling** – (2 Tim 4:11)
 - Phygellas and Hermogenes** – Failure to endure sound doctrine
 - a. Tickled ears – 2 Thess 2:11
 - b. Collecting teachers to their desires – Ezek 13
 - c. Turning ears from truth to lies – Psa 4:2
 - d. Persecution – (Matt 5:10-12)
 - e. Loving the world – (1 John 2:15-17) – 2 Tim 4:10

- 2) **Praying for a friend – (Onesiphorus) Paul gave us his pattern, as he would pattern Christ**
 - a. Unceasing Prayer – (Persistency) – Col 1:9/John 17:9/John 15:15
 - b. Mercy on the house! Going big, for a friend – vs 16 – (an everlasting pattern – Heb 7:25)
 - c. He found me, seeking diligently – Luke 11:9/Heb 11:6

- 3) **Mercy of the Lord in that day – (Content)**
 - a. The eternal blessing will far outweigh the temporal (Mercy) – Psa 16:11; 103:17
 - b. A richer reward in heaven is best known when the expectation of earthly reward is diminished – Heb 11:26
 - c. Ministering to Paul, no mention of a return on ministering – Luke 6:34
 - d. (Mercy) Nothing can compare – Rom 8:16-18