

A Good Soldier of Christ Jesus

2 Timothy 2:1-13

Topics:

Chosen, Endure, Farmers, Faithful, God, Good News, Grace, Jesus Christ, Live, Preach, Salvation, Soldiers, Suffering, Teach, Unfaithful,

Open It Questions:

- A. When children grow up and leave home for the first time, what are some things that parents might be concerned about?

- B. Should parents give advice to their children even after they leave home and build a life for themselves? Explain.

Explore It Questions:

1. In what did Paul encourage Timothy to be strong? (2:1)

2. What did Paul encourage Timothy to do with what he had been taught? (2:2)

3. How was Timothy to endure hardship? (2:3)

4. How does a soldier limit himself? Why? (2:4)

5. What must an athlete do in order to win? (2:5)

6. What should a hardworking farmer receive? Why? (2:6)

7. Who did Paul say would help Timothy understand all the things he was telling him? (2:7)

8. What was Paul's gospel? (2:8)

9. What happened to Paul because he preached the Good News?

10. Why was Paul willing to endure anything? (2:10)

11. How did Paul encourage Timothy? (2:11-13)

12. What "trustworthy saying" did Paul leave with Timothy to encourage him? (2:11-13)

Get It Questions:

13. When and how have you suffered for the gospel?

14. What or whose pattern of sound teaching are you following?

15. When have you felt abandoned by a friend?

16. When have you been refreshed by another believer?

17. What example do the soldier, the athlete, and the farmer set for us?

18. How should God's faithfulness affect our commitment to Christ?

Apply It Question:

19. What person who has had a substantial impact on your spiritual life will you take the time to personally thank this week?

Adult Questions for LESSONMaker.

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Welcome to Bible Study



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BIBLE STUDY RESOURCES

☐ Holy Bible

☐ Participant Questionnaire/Worksheet

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Good parents want their children eventually to leave home and succeed on their own. But after the good-byes and the well-wishes, parents wonder, “Did we teach them well enough to survive?” So parents continue to offer advice. Paul’s last letter to Timothy sounds like wise parental counsel.



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After affirming Timothy for the good character he had already demonstrated (see 1:5), Paul hinted at Timothy's "debt" of faith to his mother and grandmother (see 1:5). Then he expressed his confidence in Timothy as the right choice to carry on the ministry in Ephesus.



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Like a father discussing his son's future choices, Paul used three vocations to illustrate what it's like to serve God: military service, athletic training, and farming. Each vocation showed Timothy that he, and all Christians, must work hard and trust God for the long-range results.



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SCRIPTURE
(2:1-7 NLT)



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SCRIPTURE
(NLT)
(2:1-2)

¹Timothy, my dear son, be strong through the grace that God gives you in Christ Jesus. ²You have heard me teach things that have been confirmed by many reliable witnesses. Now teach these truths to other trustworthy people who will be able to pass them on to others.



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SCRIPTURE
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(2:3-7)

³ Endure suffering along with me, as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. ⁴ Soldiers don't get tied up in the affairs of civilian life, for then they cannot please the officer who enlisted them. ⁵ And athletes cannot win the prize unless they follow the rules. ⁶ And hardworking farmers should be the first to enjoy the fruit of their labor. ⁷ Think about what I am saying. The Lord will help you understand all these things.



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SCRIPTURE
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⁸ Always remember that Jesus Christ, a descendant of King David, was raised from the dead. This is the Good News I preach. ⁹ And because I preach this Good News, I am suffering and have been chained like a criminal. But the word of God cannot be chained. ¹⁰ So I am willing to endure anything if it will bring salvation and eternal glory in Christ Jesus to those God has chosen.



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SCRIPTURE
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¹² If we endure hardship,
we will reign with him.

If we deny him,
he will deny us.

¹³ If we are unfaithful,
he remains faithful,
for he cannot deny who he is.



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EXPLORE IT QUESTIONS
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9. **What happened to Paul because he preached the Good News? (2:9)**

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10. Why was Paul willing to endure anything? (2:10)

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11. How did Paul encourage Timothy? (2:11-13)

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12. What "trustworthy saying" did Paul leave with Timothy to encourage him? (2:11-13)

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GET IT QUESTIONS
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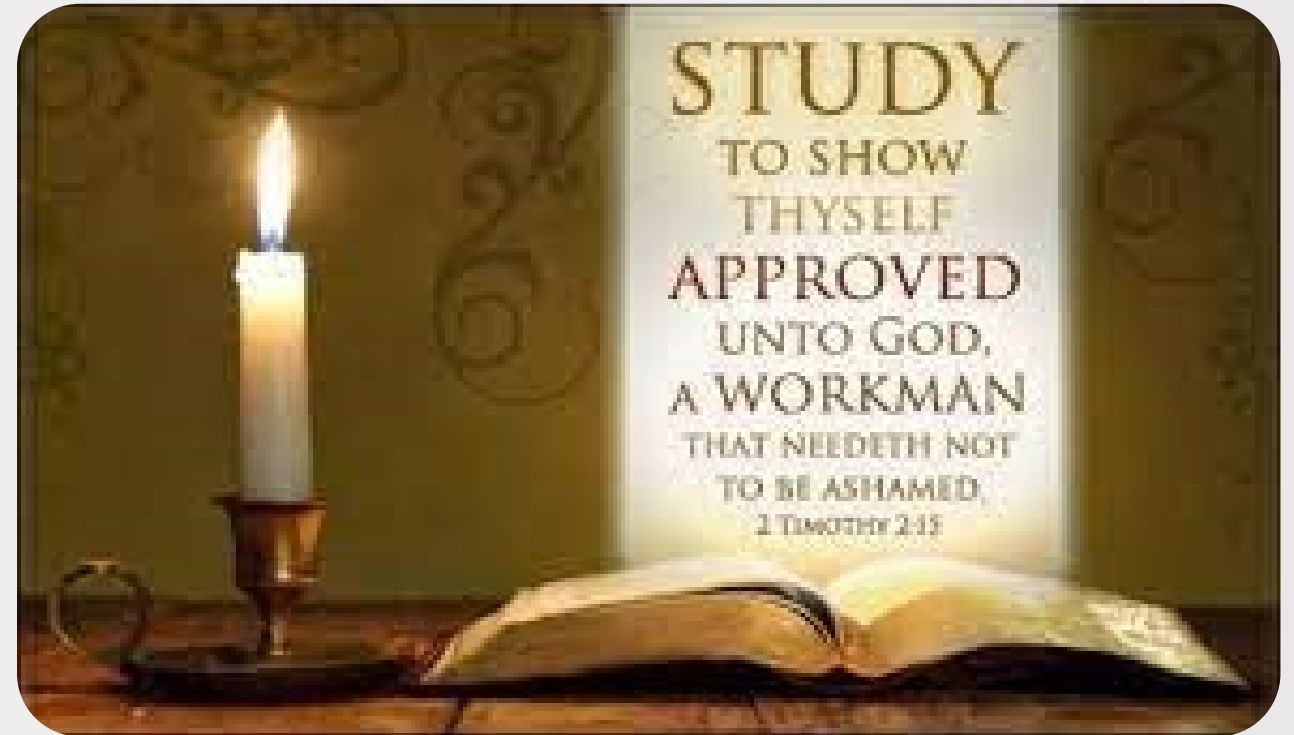
APPLY IT QUESTION
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(See Participant Questions Handout)

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Next Week's Lesson

1 Timothy 2:14-26
“A Worker Approved
by God”



PRAYER

