A Survey of the New Testament

Lesson 20: 2 Timothy "Passing the Baton" September 11, 2019

Summary: Paul's last book encourages Timothy to be strong in the ministry following his own example.

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•	He identified himself as the author (1:1).	
•	As with the other Pastoral Epistles, there is really no doubt he wrote this book (3:13).	
•	There are references to many in this book.	
Recipi	ent: Paul's "Son in the Faith"	
•	From Derbe and Lystra	
•	Son of a Jewish woman and a Greek father. (Acts 16:1).	
•	Joined Paul's journey (16:3a)	
•	He continued to assist Paul, even until he was in prison in Rome (Col. 1:1).	
•	Became Paul's likeminded assistant (Phil. 2:19-22)	
•	His mother and grandmother were faithful Christians (1:5).	
•	He became the second link in the chain of succession (2:	2)
Date:		
•	The end of his second imprisonment	
•	The end of his (4:18)	
•	From prison (4:13, 21a)	
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Key Q	uestion: Was Paul imprisoned twice? Probably so	
•	We have been establishing reasons to think he was ()	
	 Luke and Acts were legal defenses. 	
	 The Prison Epistles indicate his expectation of a release. 	
	 1 Timothy records Paul leaving Timothy in while 	<u>:</u>
	he went into Macedonia.	
	 Titus refers to Paul working in Crete and Nicopolis: neither is in Acts. 	
•	There are some more reasons from 2 Timothy.	
	 He changed his attitude about his prospects (4:6-8). 	
	 All men have him (4:16), but the Prison Epistles 	
	record many being there with him.	
	 He left Trophimus at sick (4:20). 	

Impor	rtant People:		
•	Paul: The author		
•	Timothy: The recipient		
•	Mark: Someone who is "to	Paul for the ministry"	
Book	Content Overview:		
•	Introduction (1:1-5)		
	Purpose statement (1:6-7)		
	 "Stir up the gift of God which is in thee" 		
	 Why? Because God has not given us a spirit of fe 	ear.	
•	Preach with (1:8-2:13).		
	 Paul's endured through persecution (1:8-2:2) 		
	 Preaching while imprisoned (1:8-14) 		
	 Preaching although 	(1:15-18)	
	 Follow Paul's example and preach (2:1-2 	:2)	
	 Other examples of enduring difficulty (2:3-6) 		
	 A soldier (3-4) 		
	 An athlete (5) 		
	• Farmer (6)		
	 Reasons to endure hardship (2:7-13) 		
	The truth of the	(2:7-10)	
	If we die with Him, we will live with Him		
	 If we suffer, we will reign (2:12a) 	` ,	
	 If we deny Him, He will deny us (2:12b) 		
	If we lose our belief, Jesus is still	()	2:13)
•	Preach(2:1		,
	 Preach truth and not fables (2:14-18). 		
	 Preach that they must depart from 	(2:19-21).	
	 Preach without the hindrances of youthful pers 		
	 Preach anticipating Perilous Times (3:1-9). 	. ,	
	Preach Paul's	3:10-14).	
	 Preach the Word (3:15-4:5). 	•	

- Paul's final words (4:6-18)

 - He is ready to depart (4:6-8).He is alone and in need (4:9-13).

 - Beware ________ (4:14-15).
 The Lord strengthened Paul for his first defense when he was alone (4:16-18).
- Conclusion & Greetings (4:19-22)

Key Th	neme: through Hardship	
•	Paul was an example to Timothy of how he should	his
	ministry even if it is difficult.	
•	The Roman world was not friendly to Christians by A.D. 64 when Paul was killed.	
•	had probably experienced hardships while serving	g
	with Paul.	

Application: Let us endure through hardships as good soldiers of Jesus Christ (2:3).