"Guarding The Treasure"

Passing On Salvation's Legacy

2 Timothy 2: 1 - 13 July 1, 2012

God Has Called Those Who Are Mature To Pass On The Living Legacy of Salvation, (vs. 1: 13 - 14) 3. We Must Pass On The Truth That Salvation Is To Be Taught To Faithful Men, (vs. 2: 1 – 13)

- 1st We Must Trust In Christ's Strength, Not Our Own 1) "Strengthened" (Pres.Pas.Impv) – "Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm." (Ephesians 6:10–13)
 - 2) "Entrust" (Aor.Mid.Impv)
 - → <u>Heard in the presence of many witnesses</u> "And he began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."" (Luke 4:21, ESV)
 - → <u>Able To Teach</u> "He must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught, so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and also to rebuke those who contradict it." (Titus 1:9, ESV)

2nd We Must Endure The Hardship That Trusting Brings 3) "Suffering" (Aor.Act.Impv) - "Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things." (1 Corinthians 13:7, ESV)

- **4) "Soldier (Pres.Mid.Part) / Enlisted (Aor.Act.Part) -** "For though we walk in the flesh, we are not waging war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds. We destroy arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to obey Christ," (2 Corinthians 10:3-5, ESV)
- **5)** "Athlete Competes" "Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified." (1 Corinthians 9:25-27, ESV)
- 6) "Hard-working" (Pres.Act.Part) "If we have sown spiritual things among you, is it too much if we reap *material things from you?" (1 Corinthians 9:11, ESV)*
- 7) "Think" (Pres.Act.Impv) "Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted." (Hebrews 12:3, ESV)

3rd We Must Not Lose Site Of What Is At Stake

8a) "Remember" (Pres.Act.Impv) - "looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God." (Hebrews 12:2, ESV)

- 8b) "Risen" (Perf.Pas.Part) "God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it." (Acts 2:24, ESV)
- 8c) "Offspring Preached" "Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages" (Romans 16:25, ESV)
- 9a) "Bound w/ Chains" **9b)** "Word not Bound (Pef.Pas.Ind) - "I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ." (Philippians 1:12–13, ESV)
 - 10) "Endure / Elect / May Obtain" (Aor.Act.Subj)
 - 11) "Die (Aor.Act.Ind) / Live"

12a) "Endure / Reign"

12b) "Deny / Denied" (Pres.Mid.Ind)

13) "Faithless / Faithful"

- > Illustration: 1) What you do w/ little shows
- 2) Temporal unfaithfulness
- 3) Stewardship
- Application: 1) ""One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. 2) If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? 3) And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own?" (Luke 16:10-12, ESV)
- What Have You Entrusted & Who Have You Entrusted It To?

- 4. We Must Pass On The Truth That Salvation Is Openly Manifest In Real Change, (vs. 2: 14 26)
- 5. We Must Pass On The Truth That Salvation Is Not The Norm In The World, (vs. 3: 1 13)
- 6. We Must Pass On The Truth That Salvation Is A Call To Live By The Word Of God, (vs. 3: 14 4: 5)
- 7. We Must Pass On The Truth That Salvation Is Persevering In The Faith, (vs. 4: 6 13)
- 8. We Must Pass On The Truth That Salvation Is The Reason The World Opposes Us, (vs. 4: 14 18)
- 9. We Must Pass On The Truth That Salvation Is The Only Thing That Binds People Together, (vs. 4: 19 22)