

## Some Closing Thoughts From Paul

(2 Timothy 4:9-13) pt 1

### I. Exhortations To Steadfast Service For Christ (1:3-2:26)

### II. Exhortations To Sound Doctrine (3:1-4:5)

### III. Exhortation To \_\_\_\_\_ (4:6-18)

#### A. Paul's Departure Was \_\_\_\_\_ (4:6-8)

#### B. Paul's Final \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ To Timothy (4:9-18)

1. The *challenges* concerning those Paul \_\_\_\_\_ and one who \_\_\_\_\_ him (4:9-13)
  - a. With the expectation that death was very near, Paul urged Timothy to make it a matter of \_\_\_\_\_ to come to him as \_\_\_\_\_ as possible. (v. 9)
  - b. Demas had not only forsaken Paul, but contextually he should be viewed in stark \_\_\_\_\_ with those who \_\_\_\_\_ Christ's \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 8)
    - 1) Demas' devotion had clearly turned to a \_\_\_\_\_ direction in life. From that of striving \_\_\_\_\_ for the faith of the gospel, to that of \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_. (2 Tim. 4:10a; Col. 4:14; Philemon 1:24)
    - 2) Demas left Paul for Thessalonica where he could freely indulge the "*lust of the \_\_\_\_\_, the lust of the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ of life*". (2 Tim. 4:10b; 1 John 2:15-17)
  - c. Some speculation as to the \_\_\_\_\_ why Demas had \_\_\_\_\_ the apostle in his hour of need...
    - 1) He did not want to be \_\_\_\_\_ with a man condemned to die by the emperor.
    - 2) He was tired of the poor living conditions and desired \_\_\_\_\_ and a comfortable lifestyle.
    - 3) He was no longer willing to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of the intense persecution associated with the gospel of Jesus Christ

- d. In v. 10 Paul lists the \_\_\_\_\_ Demas, while the other two men were \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ in other places – “*Crescens for Galatia, Titus for Dalmatia.*” (v. 10c)
- e. Luke was with the apostle in his first imprisonment, and now here he was in the end, a faithful \_\_\_\_\_, Paul’s personal physician, and a \_\_\_\_\_ in ministry. (v. 11a)
- f. Thankfully John Mark, once a \_\_\_\_\_ to Paul (Acts 13:13; 15:36-40), had since \_\_\_\_\_ himself; and had eventually won the \_\_\_\_\_ of the apostle once again. (Col. 4:10; Philemon 1:24)
- g. Tychicus had been Paul’s traveling companion on his 3<sup>rd</sup> Missionary Journey (Acts 20:4), and he was the \_\_\_\_\_ of the letters to the \_\_\_\_\_ (6:21), to the \_\_\_\_\_ (4:7), and now of this \_\_\_\_\_ to Timothy at Ephesus.
2. Paul *requested* Timothy to pick up several \_\_\_\_\_ along the way that he had \_\_\_\_\_ with Carpus in Troas, possibly the place of his final arrest. (v. 13)

\* What should this tell us about studying the Scriptures during stressful times or old age?

\* How can you personally apply this passage in your own life?