

PAUL TO A "T" 2 TIMOTHY 1

Pray and ask God to help you to know Him better as you study His Word.

Read the Bible passage (preferably without using commentaries).

Begin to answer the questions using your own words.

Questions are based on New International Version (NIV) 1984 edition.

Lesson 21 • 2 Timothy 1 • March 28, 2012

1. What truth, verse or insight from last week's study of **Titus 3** has been helpful to you?

SECTION I: Read 2 Timothy 1:1-7

2. What are the differences between Paul's greetings in **1 Timothy 1:1-2** and **2 Timothy 1:1-2**?
3. a) How are Paul's and Timothy's deep affection for one another illustrated in **V3-4**?

b) Whose prayer list are you on? When was the last time you were filled with joy at the thought of seeing a brother or sister in Christ?
4. a) What is Timothy's heritage of faith (**V5**)?

b) What do you think are the hallmarks of "sincere faith" referred to in **V5**?
5. a) What does it mean to "fan into flame the gift of God" (**V6**)?

b) In what ways can you grow bolder in those areas God has uniquely gifted you?

6. a) Fill in the blanks to complete **V7**.

For God did not give us a _____ of _____, but a _____ of _____ of _____ and of _____.

b) How are the spirit of power, love, and self-discipline the opposite of the spirit of timidity (or fear)?
Read **Romans 8:15-16** for additional insight.

c) When you feel timid or fearful, how can the truth of **V7** and **Romans 8:15-16** strengthen you?

7. What in Timothy's character might have prompted these words of encouragement from Paul in **V6-7**?
See also **1 Corinthians 16:10-11** and **1 Timothy 4:12**.

SECTION II: Read 2 Timothy 1:8-14

8. a) From **V8**, of what does Paul tell Timothy not to be ashamed, and what is Timothy to do instead?

b) In what group of people or in what situation have you been, or are you tempted to be, ashamed to testify about the Lord?

9. a) According to **V9**, why does God save us, and to what does He call us?

b) What do you learn about "this grace" from **V9b-10**?

10. a) What reason does Paul give for his suffering in **V11-12**?

b) Paul proclaims he is not ashamed. Why?

10. c) For whom or for what have you suffered? For whom or for what are you willing to suffer?

11. What is the “good deposit,” and how do these verses encourage or challenge you? (V13-14)

SECTION III: Read 2 Timothy 1:15-18

12. Read V15 and comment on how Paul must have felt.

13. a) From V16-18, how did Onesiphorus treat Paul in comparison?

b) Who needs you to be an “Onesiphorus” to them?

14. Write a prayer for those people in your life who have refreshed you or who have deserted you.

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Paul was imprisoned in Rome awaiting his execution when he wrote this second letter to his beloved Timothy. Reread this chapter and discuss how you see Paul’s circumstances influence the letter’s content and tone.

2. From V7 we learned that the fearful, timid spirit is to be replaced with His Spirit of Power. Look up these verses to expand your view of the power of God.

Acts 1:8 _____

Romans 1:16 _____

1 Corinthians 1:18 _____

2 Corinthians 12:9-10 _____

Colossians 1:11 _____

2 Peter 1:3 _____

