

Week 2: 2 Timothy 3-4

Objective:

- Perilous Times and Perilous Men
- The Man of God and the Word of God
- The Lord Is Faithful
- St. Paul's final words

Resources:

- Fr Tadros Y Malaty Commentary
- Catena Bible Commentary
- HEM Youssef Bible Study (English)
- Fr Dawoud Lamie Bible Study (Arabic)

Reading:

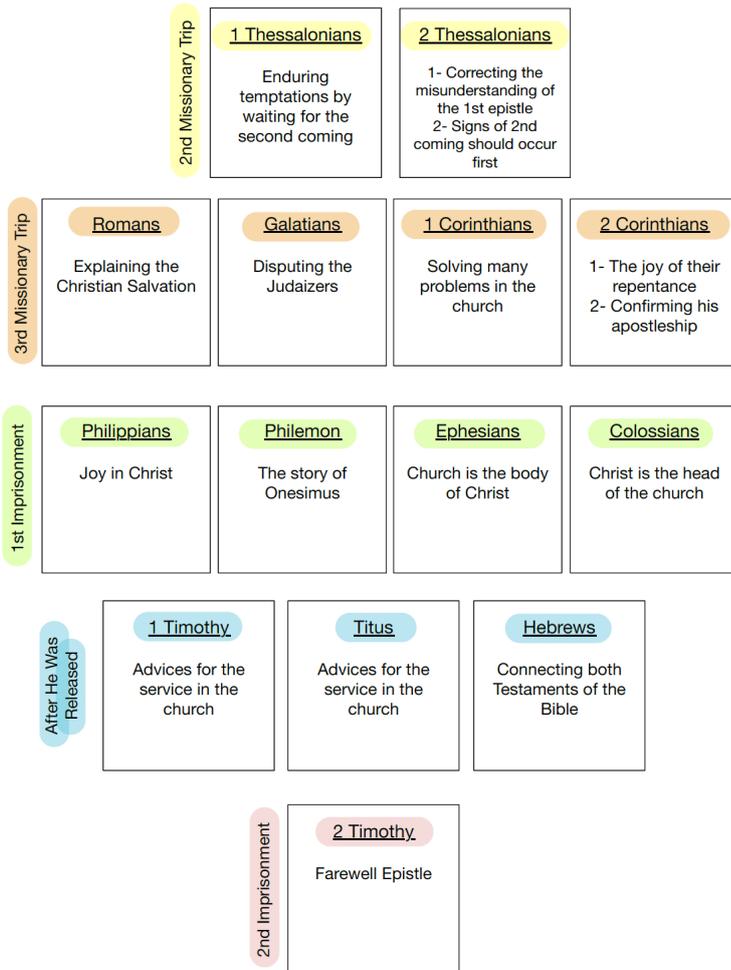
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Key verse(s):

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith" 2 Timothy 2:7

Comments:

The Pauline Epistles



- St. Paul talks about problems that are very well applicable to our generation.
- He mentions that these sins prevent people from "never able to come to the knowledge of the truth".
- 2 Timothy 3:12: All who want to follow God will suffer persecution. This is because His way is different from the world's.
- 2 Timothy 3:16: He said (all) to tell us that we can benefit from all Books in the Bible. All Books can be used as "profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness" for our benefit. There is one verse that can be used to reproof one person's ways, and the same verse can be use for someone else's correction.
- St. Paul instructs St. Timothy to preach the word and to continue the service. He knew by the Spirit that his martyrdom is close that is why he said the verses in 2 Timothy 4:6-13.
- 2 Timothy 4:11 shows that the contention that happened between St. Paul and St. Mark was for not a real "hatred". It was for the sake of the service. Here he affirms the importance of St. Mark.

Review/recap questions:

***Servant may add more questions*

1. What reasons does St. Paul give to turn away from perilous people?

2. God's Word could be applied in four distinct ways in order to insure that the next generation would become complete and thoroughly equipped for every good work. List these ways.
3. Describe St. Paul's attitude toward his approaching death. What are your thoughts about death?
4. What was St. Paul's charge to St. Timothy in his ministry and how would he accomplish it?

Homework:

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1. Yes, and all who desire to live_____ in Christ Jesus will suffer _____.
 2. All Scripture is given by inspiration of _____, and is profitable for _____, for _____, for _____, for instruction in _____.
 3. What would some people not endure?
a) suffering b) the weather c) sound doctrine d) prison
 4. Who alone was with St. Paul when he wrote this Epistle?
a) St. Luke b) Demas c) Alexander d) Titus
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