

## **Finishing Strong**

### **2 Timothy 4:7**

**2 Tim 4:7 = Paul's Endurance—Why He Is Ready**

**C.T./L.T. = I have fought (AGWNIDZOMAI) the good fight, I have finished (TELEW) the course (DROMOS), I have kept (T8REW) the faith;**

**Summary:**

1. Three perfect tenses describe Paul's life:
2. We are called to fight and finish ***faithfully***.
3. The good fight.
4. What are the issues of the fight?
5. What Kind of Fight is It?
6. How Do We Fight?
7. Finish the Course: Stay in the ***Battle*** as our Lord did.
8. To Finish Your Course: (This is a Race to Fulfill Your Ministry)
  - A. Face the \_\_\_\_\_. Luke 12:50
  - B. Make it more important than personal \_\_\_\_\_. John 19:28
  - C. Fight \_\_\_\_\_ flesh. Gal 5:16
  - D. Live the \_\_\_\_\_ Law. Jas 2:8
  - E. Be \_\_\_\_\_ by your assignment. Acts 13:25
  - F. Make it more \_\_\_\_\_ to you than your life. Acts 20:24
9. Keep the Faith: Guard It. Faithful.
  - A. What Is Faith?
    - 1). Faith's merit is found in the \_\_\_\_\_ of faith. Heb 11:1
    - 2). Faith relies on God's power not man's \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Cor 2:4-5
  - B. What Is "The" Faith?
    - 1). It begins with faith in \_\_\_\_\_. Mark 11:22
    - 2). Faith in God is \_\_\_\_\_ on the Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Tim 6:3
    - 3). Faith in Jesus Christ \_\_\_\_\_ saves us from the penalty of sin.  
Luke 7:50; Eph 2:8; Rom 3:21-23
    - 4). Faith in Jesus Christ \_\_\_\_\_. Rom 3-4
    - 5). Faith in Jesus Christ brings peace with God and the grace of life so that our \_\_\_\_\_ is built. Rom 5:1-2

- 6). Faith in Jesus Christ \_\_\_\_\_. Acts 26:16-18
- 7). Faith in Jesus Christ becomes the life of a \_\_\_\_\_ man.  
Rom 1:16-17
- 8). Faith continued in Jesus Christ is the means of our Christian  
\_\_\_\_\_. 2 Cor 5:7
- 9). Faith continued in Jesus Christ after salvation brings a filling of all the  
\_\_\_\_\_ of God. Eph 3:17-19
- 10). Faith continued in Jesus Christ helps \_\_\_\_\_ the body. Eph 4:13
- 11). Faith is our \_\_\_\_\_ against the enemy. Eph 6:16
- 12). Faith is \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Thes 1:3
- 13). Faith is the foundation of \_\_\_\_\_. Matt 9:2; Acts 3:16

## Bearing One Another's Burdens

### 1. Introduction:

- A. In the last days most people's love will grow \_\_\_\_\_, so helping other Believers will be less and less important. Matt 24:12-13
- B. This can come from a "me-first" attitude which is an outward growth of \_\_\_\_\_ Christians in the "Last Days." Rev 3:15-17
- C. In the "Last Days" people will become more \_\_\_\_\_ of one another and which contributes to the fact that spiritual love will almost disappear. Jas 5:7-10
- D. As the world goes from bad to worse in the "Last Days" sin will become not just rampant but \_\_\_\_\_. 2 Tim 3:12-14 cf 3:1-11
- E. This indicates that the freedom received in Christ will be used as an opportunity for the \_\_\_\_\_ rather than an opportunity to serve others. Gal 5:1; 13-15
- F. Principles that were taught early in the Church Age will be \_\_\_\_\_ and almost forgotten. Gal 6:1-5

Gal 6:1 = Restoring One Who Has Abused Freedom.

C.T. = Brethren, even if a man (ANTHRWPOS) is caught (EAN + PROLAMBANW) in any trespass (EN + TIS + PARAPTWMMA), you who are spiritual (PNEUMATIKOS), restore (KATARTIDZW) such a one in a spirit of selflessness (PRAUT8S); each one looking (SKOPEW) to yourself, lest you too may be tempted (PEIRADZW).

### Summary:

- 1. In view is a person who has taken a false step, made a blunder, and fallen.
  - a. We are clearly called to \_\_\_\_\_ those who have transgressed. Matt 6:14-15; Mark 11:25
  - b. We are called to forgive them because Christ paid their \_\_\_\_\_ for sin. Rom 4:25
  - c. Transgressions can deeply \_\_\_\_\_ many people. Rom 5:15
  - d. Where there is transgression, there is \_\_\_\_\_. Rom 5:16-21
  - e. The reconciliation of the world to God through Christ, was so that our transgressions may not have an \_\_\_\_\_ cost. 2 Cor 5:19
  - f. The payment for our trespasses was Christ's \_\_\_\_\_. Eph 1:7

- g. Our trespasses rendered us \_\_\_\_\_ dead. Eph 2:1
  - h. God's grace made us alive by faith when we were \_\_\_\_\_ in our trespasses. Eph 2:5; Col 2:13
2. The first requirement of helping someone is that you yourself be \_\_\_\_\_, which in this context indicates a walk of faith (3:1-5), winning the battle with the flesh (5:16-17) and production of the fruit of the Holy Spirit (5:22-23).
- a. Spirituality is needed to properly \_\_\_\_\_ the matter. 1 Cor 2:15
  - b. Spirituality is the \_\_\_\_\_ of restoration. 1 Cor 3:1
  - c. Spirituality must accept Scripture as \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Cor 14:36-37
  - d. None of us are yet in our spiritual body, so while we are seeking to help others we must realize this \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Cor 15:44-46
  - e. Our desire should be to see all of the Body of Christ as functioning parts of the spiritual house of the \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Pet 2:5
  - f. The caretaker should desire to see the \_\_\_\_\_ of spirituality back in the life of the trespasser. Eph 5:19; Col 3:16
  - g. Our prayers should be for the spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ of others. Col 1:9
  - h. Our struggle is a \_\_\_\_\_ battle and is not really against people. Eph 6:12