

## 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)
9. Keep the Faith: Guard It. Faithful.
  - A. What Is Faith?
  - B. What Is "The" Faith?
  - C. What About Faith?
  - D. Why Keep the Faith?
  - E. Keeping the Faith:
    - 1). Keep the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Holy Spirit within the Body. Eph 4:1-3
    - 2). Pray for One Another's enduring \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Thes 5:23
    - 3). Love God until Christ \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Tim 6:13-14
    - 4). Keep unstained by the world by caring for \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. Jas 1:27
    - 5). Do not set aside God's commandments to keep the traditions of \_\_\_\_\_. Mark 7:9
    - 6). Live as \_\_\_\_\_ lived. 1 John 2:3-6
    - 7). Believe that faith is the \_\_\_\_\_. 1 John 5:3-5
    - 8). Worship \_\_\_\_\_. Rev 22:7-9

**2 Tim 4:8 = Paul's Hope**

**C.T./L.T. = in the future there is laid up for me the crown (STEPHANOS) of the righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award (APODIDWMI) to me on that day; and not only to me, but also to all who have loved (AGAPAW) His appearing (EPIPHANEIA).**

**Summary:**

- 1. What is included in the term “His Appearing”?**
  - A. The term includes the \_\_\_\_\_ Advent. 2 Tim 1:10**
  - B. It also includes the Rapture, so:**
    - 1). \_\_\_\_\_ God and One Another. 1 Tim 6:14**
    - 2). \_\_\_\_\_ for His Return. Titus 2:13**
    - 3). \_\_\_\_\_ in This Shadow. 2 Tim 4:1**
  - C. It Includes the \_\_\_\_\_ Advent. 2 Thes 2:8**
  - D. We are to love \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ’s Manifestations. 2 Tim 4:8**

## Bearing One Another's Burdens

### 1. Introduction:

- F. Principles that were taught early in the Church Age will be neglected 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 + PARAPTWMA), 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.
2. The first requirement of helping someone is that you yourself be spiritual, 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).
3. Our objective should be spiritual restoration
4. To help restore someone else requires being selfless, meaning there are no selfish motives or temptations.
5. We must consistently take inventory of our own frailty so that we do not fall into error. Luke 11:35
6. When helping someone who is caught in a trespass, beware of becoming \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_, realizing it could happen to anyone.
  - a. No one is \_\_\_\_\_ from testing/temptation. Matt 4:1; 19:3; 22:18
  - b. We must never \_\_\_\_\_ God. Acts 5:9; 15:10; 1 Cor 10:9
  - c. We should not \_\_\_\_\_ others of legitimate needs that we can fill so that they may not fall into temptation. 1 Cor 7:5
  - d. Temptations can be \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Cor 10:13
  - e. We are to consistently \_\_\_\_\_ ourselves. 2 Cor 13:5
  - f. Shepherds are concerned about their sheep falling \_\_\_\_\_ to temptation. 1 Thes 3:5
  - g. The real helper when we are tempted is the \_\_\_\_\_ Himself. Heb 2:18; 4:15

- h. God will test your \_\_\_\_\_ to Him to do good but He will not solicit you to sin and evil. Heb 11:17; Jas 1:13-14
- i. It is valid to test \_\_\_\_\_. Rev 2:2
- j. We should not \_\_\_\_\_ testing from God. Rev 2:10

Gal 6:2 = A Principle of "Law."

C.T./L.T. = Bear one another's burdens and thus you shall fulfill the law of the Christ.

**Summary:**

1. The weight that others carry can include physical, financial, emotional or spiritual, but primarily here we are looking at a \_\_\_\_\_ problem.
2. To help bear someone else's burdens requires a \_\_\_\_\_ involvement with them.
3. It may involve \_\_\_\_\_ in their place. Matt 8:17; Rom 15:1
4. To help others with spiritual problems we need to learn to \_\_\_\_\_ what are proper goals.
5. The highest goals in life for any individual are to \_\_\_\_\_ the Two Greatest Commandments. Mark 12:29-31