

Series "Ministry For Difficult Times"
"Knowledge And Responsibility"
2 Timothy 3:10-14
Study-8

John 13:13-17

2 Tim 3 – A Charge To Continue In The Gospel: (Abide In It)

2 Tim 3:1

The Thought Of Our Passage: "Teaching And Living Go Together; Godly Will Suffer, Wickedness Will Increase, But We Are To Continue In Truth"

- 1. Verses 10-11 – You Know My Life**
- 2. Verses 12-13 – You Know My Warning**
- 3. Verse 14 – You Know My Instruction**

1. Verses 10-11 – You Know My Life:

2 Tim 3:10

2 Tim 3:1-9 – They were both "Religious" and "Rebellious"

2 Tim 3:5

2 Timothy 3:9

Lifestyle – "you followed": "to follow after, follow alongside; so to follow one as to be always at his side, to follow close, accompany, step by step"

1 Timothy 1:15-16

Ephesians 3:8

Paul Shares 9 Characteristics Of His Life, In Contrast To The False Teachers:

1. My Teaching – "my teaching,": "My doctrine", in Paul's case "the true inspired apostolic teaching, by way of the revelation of Jesus Christ."
2. My Conduct – "conduct,": Paul's "manner of life, lifestyle"; Note that conduct followed the teaching. We must practice what we preach.

2 Tim 3:5

1 Thessalonians 1:5-7

1 Corinthians 11:1

3. My Purpose – “purpose,”: “personal motive for service”; There was never a question about Paul's “purpose” in ministry: Acts 20:24

Philippians 1:21

Philippians 3:10

4. My Faith – “faith,”: “faithfulness, faithfully living the truth that is professed”
5. My Patience – “patience,”: He was a man of “longsuffering, never gives up, never gives in regardless of the cost”; Dealing with difficult people.
6. My Love – “love,”: Agape, “unselfish love, and compassion for men everywhere, thus enabling one to rise above jealousy, envy covetousness, and every unholy tendency.”

John 17:26

1 John 4:7-8

7. My Perseverance – “perseverance,”: means endurance, “the ability to stick with it when the going gets tough.” This speaks of difficult circumstances. Hebrews 10:35-36

2 Tim 3:11

8. My Persecutions – “persecutions,”: literally “to put to flight” because of a refusal to compromise and won't stop preaching. 2 Corinthians 11:23-28
9. My Sufferings – “and sufferings,”: “hardship, pain, affliction misfortune, calamity, evil”, 2 Corinthians 12:10

Paul Illustrates Persecution & Suffering: “such as happened to me at Antioch,” Acts 13:50-52

“at Iconium” – Acts 14:5-6

“and at Lystra;” – (Timothy's Home Town) Acts 14:19-20

Word Of Encouragement: "and out of them all the Lord delivered me!" Psalm 34:19

God delivers from death, sometimes the means of death; nothing ever separates us from His love. Romans 8:38-39

2 Corinthians 4:11

2. Verses 12-13 – You Know My Warning:

2 Tim 3:12

"And indeed," – This is so, yes and moreover, (It's a given!) 1 Timothy 3:16

Warning – The Godly Will Suffer: "all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will be persecuted."

"all who desire" – "hold to, will, that would, (have in mind) intend"

Foretold Of Jesus: Isaiah 53:7

Forewarned By Jesus: John 15:20

Warning – Growing Opposition Against God: 2 Tim 3:13

"But evil men and impostors" – 2 Tim 3:2-9

But evil men are described in 2 Timothy 3:2-5

"and impostors" – literally "sorcerers, or magicians" are described in Ephesus – Acts 19:19

2 Timothy 3:6-9

"will proceed" – (KJV Wax), "means to cut forward, to advance"

Matthew 24:37

Luke 18:8

Revelation 12:9

John 8:44

3. Verse 14 – You Know My Instruction:

2 Tim 3:14

“convinced” – “inward certainty, to be assured, have confidence, obey, trust, yield”

Timothy Received The Message From Those He Could Trust: “knowing from whom you have learned them;” – literally “Remember from what sort of people your knowledge has come”

2 Tim 1:5

Application:

1. Christianity Needs To Reproduce Leaders That Are Orthodox In Doctrine, Moral In Lifestyle, And Courageous In Defending The Truth.
2. A False View Is That Godliness Means Escaping Persecution, And Difficulties, When Just The Opposite Is True.
3. The Last Days Are Marked By Deception And Imitation; The Only Way A Believer Will Be Able To Tell The True From The False Is By Knowing The Word Of God.
4. We Must Never Allow Circumstances To Modify Our Belief, But Circumstances Should Lead Us Back To Our Faith; That Should Then Anchor Our Souls.