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1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus through the will of God,
according to the promise of life that *is* in Christ Jesus,
2 to Timothy, beloved child.
Grace, mercy, peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus
our Lord.
3 I have gratitude to God, whom I serve from my ancestors,
with a pure conscience, as I have the constant remembrance
concerning you in my prayers night and day, 4 longing to see
you, remembering your tears, so that I may be filled with joy,
5 having received remembrance of the sincere faith in you,
which dwelled first in your grandmother Lois and your mother
Eunice, and I am persuaded that *it is* also in you.
6 For which reason, I am reminding you to rekindle the gift
of God that is in you through the laying on of my hands. 7 For
God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but of power and
of love and of self-control. 8 Therefore, do not be ashamed of
the testimony of our Lord, nor of me, his prisoner, but suffer
together for the gospel, according to the power of God, 9 the
one having saved us and having called *us* to a holy calling—not
according to our works, but according to his own purpose and
grace, the *grace* having been given to us in Christ Jesus before
eternal times, 10 and now having been revealed through the
appearance of our Savior Christ Jesus, both having abolished
death and having brought to light life and immortality through
the gospel, 11 for which I was appointed a herald and an apostle
and a teacher,[a] 12 for which reason I also suffer these things.
But I am not ashamed, for I know in whom I have believed,
and I have been persuaded that he is able to guard my deposit
until that day.
13 Hold the pattern of healthy words that you heard from
me, in faith and love *that are* in Christ Jesus. 14 Guard the good
deposit through the Holy Spirit, the one dwelling in us.
15 You know this, that all the ones in Asia turned away from
me, among whom are Phygelus and Hermogenes.
16 May the Lord give mercy to the household of Onesiphorus,
because he often refreshed me and was not ashamed of my
chain, 17 but being in Rome, he diligently searched for me and
found *me*. 18 May the Lord give to him to find mercy from the
Lord in that day. And as much as he served in Ephesus, you
know very well.

2 You, therefore, my child, be strengthened in the grace
that is in Christ Jesus. 2 And what you have heard from
me through many witnesses, place these things before faithful
men who will be able to teach others also. 3 Suffer together[b]
as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. 4 No one serving as a soldier
is entangled in the affairs of life, so that he may please the one
having enlisted him. 5 But also, if anyone competes, he is not
crowned if he has not competed lawfully. 6 It is necessary for
the hardworking farmer first to share in the fruits. 7 Think about
what I am saying, for the Lord will give you understanding in
everything.
8 Remember Jesus Christ, having been raised from the dead,
from the seed of David, according to my gospel, 9 in which I
am suffering, even to chains, like a criminal. But the word of
God has not been bound. 10 Because of this, I endure all things
because of the elect so that they also may obtain salvation *that*
is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.
11 The word *is* trustworthy:

"For if we died with *him*, we will also live with *him*.
12 If we endure, we will also reign with *him*.
If we deny *him*, he also will deny us.
13 If we are unfaithful, he remains faithful,
for he is not able to deny himself."

14 Remind *them* of these things, declaring before God[c] not
to battle about words; *it is* useful for nothing, to the destruction
of the ones hearing. 15 Strive to present yourself approved to
God, a worker not ashamed, cutting the word of truth straight.
16 But avoid profane, empty sayings, for they will advance
further in ungodliness, 17 and their word will have a spreading
like gangrene, among whom are Hymenaeus and Philetus,
18 who have missed the mark concerning the truth, saying
the resurrection has already happened, and *who* overturn the
faith of some. 19 Nevertheless, the firm foundation of God
stands, having this seal: "The Lord knew the ones being his,"
and "Let everyone naming the name of the Lord depart from
unrighteousness."
20 Now in a great house, there are not only gold and
silver containers, but also wood and clay, and some for honor
and some for dishonor. 21 Therefore, if someone has cleansed
himself from these, he will be a container for honor, having
been sanctified, useful to the master, having been prepared
for every good work.
22 But flee youthful lusts, and pursue righteousness, faith,
love, peace with the ones calling on the Lord from a pure heart.
23 But reject foolish and ignorant controversies, knowing that
they give birth to battles. 24 But it is necessary for a slave of
the Lord not to battle, but to be gentle toward all, able to
teach, patient, 25 in meekness educating the ones opposing.
God may perhaps give them repentance for knowledge of the
truth, 26 and they may become sober again from the trap of the
devil, having been captured by him for the will of that one.

3 But know this, that in the last days difficult times will
be present. 2 For the men will be lovers of self, lovers of
money, boastful, proud, blasphemous, disobedient to parents,
ungrateful, unholy, 3 unloving, irreconcilable, slanderous,
unrestrained, savage, not lovers of the good, 4 traitors, reckless,
puffed up, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, 5 having
a form of godliness, but denying its power. And turn away
from these.
6 For from these are the ones entering into households and
taking captive little women having been heaped with sins,

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[a] Some manuscripts add here the words *to the Gentiles.* [b] Instead of *Suffer together,* some manuscripts read *You, therefore, suffer.* [c] Instead of *God,* some manuscripts read *the Lord.*

being led away by various desires, 7 always learning, and never being able to come to knowledge of the truth. 8 And the way Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses, so also these oppose the truth, men having been corrupted *in* the mind, unapproved concerning the faith. 9 But they will not advance further, for their foolishness will be obvious to all, as also that of those became.

10 But you have followed my teaching, conduct, purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance, 11 persecutions, sufferings, such as happened to me in Antioch, in Iconium, in Lystra, what kind of persecutions I endured. And the Lord rescued me from *them* all. 12 But also, all the ones wanting to live godly in Christ Jesus will be persecuted. 13 But evil men and impostors will advance to the worse, leading astray and being led astray. 14 But you, remain in what you learned and were convinced of, knowing from whom you learned, 15 and that from infancy you have known the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith *that is* in Christ Jesus.

16 All Scripture *is* God-breathed and *is* profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness, 17 so that the man of God may be complete, having been equipped for every good work.

4 I declare before God and Christ Jesus, the one being about to judge living and dead, and by[a] his appearing and his kingdom: 2 Preach the word; stand by opportunely, inopportunely; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with all patience and teaching. 3 For there will be a time when they will not bear with the healthy teaching. Instead, they will heap up for themselves teachers according to their own desires, itching *in* the ear, 4 and they will turn the ear away from the truth and be turned away to the myths. 5 But you, be sober in all things. Suffer hardship. Do the work of an evangelist. Fulfill your service.

6 For I am already being poured out as an offering, and the time of my departure is near. 7 I have fought the good fight; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. 8 From now on, the crown of righteousness is reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me, but also to all the ones having loved his appearing.

9 Strive to come to me quickly, 10 for Demas has forsaken me, having loved the present age, and has gone to Thessalonica, Crescens to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. 11 Only Luke is with me. Taking Mark, bring *him* with you, for he is useful to me for service. 12 But I sent Tychicus to Ephesus. 13 The cloak that I left at Troas with Carpus, coming, bring, and the scrolls, especially the parchments.

14 Alexander the coppersmith showed many evils to me. The Lord will repay him according to his works, 15 whom you also guard yourself against, for he opposed our words very much.

16 At my first defense, no one appeared with me, but all forsook me. May it not be reckoned against them. 17 But the Lord stood with me and strengthened me, so that through me the proclamation might be fulfilled and all the Gentiles might hear. And I was rescued out of the mouth of the lion. 18 The Lord will rescue me from every evil work and will save *me* for his heavenly kingdom. To him *be* the glory forever *and* ever. Amen.

19 Greet Prisca and Aquila, and the household of Onesiphorus. 20 Erastus remained in Corinth, and Trophimus I left in Miletus, being sick. 21 Strive to come before winter. Eubulus greets you, and Pudens and Linus and Claudia and the brothers.

22 The Lord[b] *be* with your spirit. Grace *be* with you.[c]

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[a] Instead of *and by,* some manuscripts read *according to.*

[b] Instead of *Lord,* some manuscripts read *Lord Jesus Christ.*

[c] Here some manuscripts add the word *Amen.*