## 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy

Chapter 2

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Back in v19 Paul states that "The LORD knows them that are His"

- And follows this up: "[so] let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity"
- There is an expected standard for a Christian
   The world often knows this better than we do!
- We are now on journey with others of a like mind

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- Flee! As did Joseph when faced with temptation!
- "Deliver thyself as a roe from the hand of the hunter, and as a bird from the hand of the fowler".
   Proverbs 6:5
- "Wherewithal shall a <u>young man</u> cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word".
  - Psalm 119:9

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- Righteousness: "state of him who is as he ought to be, righteousness, the condition acceptable to God"
- "integrity, virtue, purity of life, rightness, correctness of thinking feeling, and acting"
- Faith, Love & Peace: All part of the fruit of the Spirit
- "I say then walk in the Spirit and you shall not fulfil the lusts of the flesh..." – Gal 5:16
- Follow: Translated persecute (28x), follow after (6x), follow (4x), suffer persecution (3x), *miscellaneous* (3x).

But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes.
And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all *men*, apt to teach, patient, 2 Timothy 2:23,24

"Only by pride cometh contention" Prov 13:10

In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; 2 Timothy 2:25

- A servant's purpose is to win souls, not arguments.
- We are to win though meekness!

And *that* they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will. **2 Timothy 2:26** 

 Reviewing these seven aspects of the ministry, it is demanding: there is no place for the half hearted

## 7 Aspects of Ministry

- 1. Be Strong
- 2. A worthy workman
- 3. Be faithful; Endure all things
- 4. Study to rightly divide the Word
- 5. Avoid vain babblings
- 6. Seal and cleanse this vessel of honor
- 7. Flee youthful lusts





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