

## Be Strengthened

2 Timothy 2:1-7 (Series: Declaring the Gospel)

On January 7, 2024, by Philip Pinto @ Village Bible Church

- I. Encouraging Timothy to gospel fidelity (1:1-18)
- II. Encouragement to stick with it and suffer for the gospel (2:1-26)

A. Be \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 1-7)

- 1. As a \_\_\_\_\_ in the faith (v. 1a)
  - a. “By the grace that is in Christ Jesus” (v. 1b)
  - b. By “what you have heard from me” (v. 2a)
- 2. As a \_\_\_\_\_ with others
  - a. Many others heard it, too (v. 2b)
  - b. Entrust it to \_\_\_\_\_ men (v. 2c)
  - c. Entrust to men able to \_\_\_\_\_ that teaching (v. 2d)
- 3. As you share in the \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 3-6)
  - a. “As a good \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ Jesus” (v. 3-4) (c.f. 1 Cor. 9:7a)
    - 1.) Not “entangled in civilian pursuits” (v. 4a)
      - i. Concentrated \_\_\_\_\_
      - ii. \_\_\_\_\_
    - 2.) Aiming “to please the one who \_\_\_\_\_ him” (v. 4b)
      - i. Obedience
      - ii. Loyalty
    - 3.) Exemplifies a sense of priority that a follower of Christ must have.

b. As an \_\_\_\_\_ crowned only if he “competes according to the rules” (v. 5) (c.f. 1 Cor. 9:24-25)

- 1.) It involves \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2.) \_\_\_\_\_ must be understood and observed.
  - 3.) Exemplifies a life of \_\_\_\_\_ the follower of Christ should have.
- c. As the hard-working \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 6)
- 1.) Exemplifies a lifestyle of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2.) Grueling, thankless, and unnoticed.

4. Think these things over (v.7)

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  - A. Be **strengthened** (v. 1-7)
    1. As a **son** in the faith (v. 1a)
      - a. “By the grace that is in Christ Jesus” (v. 1b)
      - b. By “what you have heard from me” (v. 2a)
    2. As a **coworker** with others
      - a. Many others heard it, too (v. 2b)
      - b. Entrust it to **faithful** men (v. 2c)
      - c. Entrust to men able to **pass on** that teaching (v. 2d)
    3. As you share in the **suffering** (v. 3-6)
      - a. “As a good **soldier** of Christ Jesus” (v. 3-4) (c.f. 1 Cor. 9:7a)
        - 1.) Not “entangled in civilian pursuits” (v. 4a)
          - i. Concentrated **service**
          - ii. **Sacrifice**
        - 2.) Aiming “to please the one who **enlisted** him” (v. 4b)
          - i. Obedience
          - ii. Loyalty
        - 3.) Exemplifies a sense of priority that a follower of Christ must have.
      - b. As an **athlete** crowned only if he “competes according to the rules” (v. 5) (c.f. 1 Cor. 9:24-25)
        - 1.) It involves **self-denial**.
        - 2.) **Rules** must be understood and observed.
        - 3.) Exemplifies a life of **discipline** the follower of Christ should have.
      - c. As the hard-working **farmer** (v. 6)
        - 1.) Exemplifies a lifestyle of **perseverance**.
        - 2.) Grueling, thankless, and unnoticed.
    4. Think these things over (v.7)