

Godly Living and Persecution

2 Timothy 3:10-13 (Series: Declaring the Gospel)

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Phil. 1:29; John 15:20; 1 John 3:13)

i. Antioch (Acts 13:49-52)

ii. Iconium (Acts 14:1-6)

iii. Lystra (Acts 14:19-23)

III. Understanding the last days (3:1-17)

A. The last days bring times of difficulty_(v. 1-9)

B. Enduring _____ through

steadfastly adhering to _____ (v. 10-17)

1. Following Paul instead of imposters (v. 10a) (cf. v. 5; 1 Tim. 3:15-16; 1 Cor. 11:1; 1 Pet. 5:3; 2 Cor. 1:24)

a. _____

1.) Teaching

2.) Conduct

b. _____

1.) Aim in life

i. _____ believers (Rom. 1:11)

ii. _____ the gospel (Rom. 1:15)

iii. Speak of what Christ _____
through His servant (Rom. 15:18)

iv. Advance the _____ (Phil. 1:12)

v. _____ others to speak the
word without fear (Phil. 1:14)

vi. Make the word of God _____
_____ (Col. 1:25)

c. _____ (in the face of
opposition) (v. 10b-11)

1.) Steadfastness

2.) In persecution and sufferings (c.f. Acts 14:21-22;

2. Living a godly life leads to _____
(v. 12-13)

a. All who desire to live a _____
will be persecuted (v. 12) (c.f. Matt. 10:22, 24:9; Lk.
21:12; Jn. 15:19-20, 16:12)

b. Evil people/imposters will _____ (v. 13)

1.) They _____ others (v. 13a)
(cf. 2 Cor. 11:14)

2.) They are themselves _____
(v. 13 b) (c.f. 2 Cor. 4:3-4; 1 Tim. 4:1)

3. The veracity of the gospel (v. 14-17)

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IV. Understanding the last days (3:1-17)

- A. The last days bring times of difficulty (v. 1-9)
- B. Enduring **persecution** through steadfastly adhering to **truth** (v. 10-17)
 1. Following Paul instead of imposters (v. 10a) (cf. v. 5; 1 Tim. 3:15-16; 1 Cor. 11:1; 1 Pet. 5:3; 2 Cor. 1:24)
 - a. **Duties**
 - 1.) Teaching
 - 2.) Conduct
 - b. **Qualities**
 - 1.) Aim in life
 - i. **Strengthen** believers (Rom. 1:11)
 - ii. **Preach** the gospel (Rom. 1:15)
 - iii. Speak of what Christ **accomplished** through His servant (Rom. 15:18)
 - iv. Advance the **gospel** (Phil. 1:12)
 - v. **Embolden** others to speak the word without fear (Phil. 1:14)
 - vi. Make the word of God **fully known** (Col. 1:25)
 - c. **Experiences** (in the face of opposition) (v. 10b-11)
 - 1.) Steadfastness
 - 2.) In persecution and sufferings (c.f. Acts 14:21-22; Phil. 1:29; John 15:20; 1 John 3:13)
 - i. Antioch (Acts 13:49-52)
 - ii. Iconium (Acts 14:1-6)
 - iii. Lystra (Acts 14:19-23)
 2. Living a godly life leads to **persecution** (v. 12-13)
 - a. All who desire to live a **godly life** will be persecuted (v. 12) (c.f. Matt. 10:22, 24:9; Lk. 21:12; Jn. 15:19-20, 16:12)
 - b. Evil people/imposters will **increase** (v. 13)
 - 1.) They **deceive** others (v. 13a) (cf. 2 Cor. 11:14)
 - 2.) They are themselves **deceived** (v. 13 b) (c.f. 2 Cor. 4:3-4; 1 Tim. 4:1)

3. The veracity of the gospel (v. 14-17)

Pastor's Note: It's popular to think that godly living results in good things happening to us. Paul reminded Timothy (and us) that we can, actually, expect it to lead to persecution. A message connecting "Godly Living and Persecution" may not convince people they should follow Jesus, but it only echoes what Jesus told people who thought following Him would lead to financial, social, and other benefits in life.