

A Study of the Epistles of Paul (NT Survey Lesson 189--2 Timothy 4)

Introduction: This touching chapter is the final word from the pen of the apostle Paul. It expresses his deep concern for the future of the gospel and his wonderful hope in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Lesson aim: To encourage each Christian to remain faithful to the Lord so that we may have the hope of the crown of righteousness.

Paul's last exhortations to Timothy as a preacher--2 Tim. 4:1-8

1. On what basis did Paul give Timothy the charge to preach the word?
2. What does it mean to be ready "in season and out of season"?
3. What actions define the work of preaching the word? (v. 2) What do each of these mean?
4. With what attitude should the evangelist's teaching be done?
5. What attitude did Paul urge Timothy to have? (v. 5). Endure what?
6. What is meant by the last two exhortations of v. 5?
7. What did Paul reveal was about to happen to him?
8. How did Paul view his past life as a Christian?
9. What did Paul say was laid up for him? Who would give him this reward? For who else is the same reward laid up?

Paul speaks of his circumstances in prison--2 Tim. 4:9-18

1. What does Paul appeal to Timothy to do?
2. Who was with Paul at the time? What had happened to others who had been with Paul?

3. Who else did Paul want to come?
4. What did Paul urge Timothy to bring with him?
5. About whom did Paul give Timothy a warning? Why?
6. What had happened at Paul's first defense?
7. What did Paul believe the Lord would do? Did Paul expect to be delivered from death?

Closing greetings--2 Tim. 4:19-22

1. What familiar names are mentioned as still present at Ephesus?
2. What had happened to those who had traveled with Paul since leaving Timothy? (v. 20).
3. Who might the people be mentioned in v. 21?