



LIVING WELL
FINISHING STRONG
2 TIMOTHY



A Gateway Collection

**"So do not be ashamed of the testimony
about our Lord or of me his prisoner.
Rather, join with me in suffering for the
gospel, by the power of God."**

2 Timothy 1:8 NIV



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"All scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

2 Timothy 3:16 NIV



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"For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time of my departure is near. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord,



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the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day -- and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing."

2 Timothy 4:6-8 NIV



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I believe that all of us want to make a positive difference in the lives of others. What we know to be true is that to do so requires love, sacrifice, and diligence.



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Paul's apostolic purpose to announce the wonderful promise of life found in Jesus, the anointed Messiah, was carried out through loving, meaningful, gospel-based relationships.



**Paul's second letter to Timothy gives
us three instructions on how to live
well and finish strong**

- 1. Hold to Sound Doctrine (1:13)**
- 2. Endure Suffering (2:10)**
- 3. Ensure Succession (3:14-15)**



Recall

- 1. Paul was an apostolic leader and minister with the love and heart of a father. (2 Timothy 1:1-2)**
- 2. Through remembrance, remain anchored in the goodness of Jesus. (2 Timothy 1:3-7)**
- 3. Join *WITH* Jesus and one another in the work of the gospel. (2 Timothy 1:8)**



Four Specifics About Holding to Sound Doctrine

1. Know the PARTICULARS of sound doctrine

**a. It's the testimony of the Resurrected Lord (1:11;
2:8; 3:10; 4:2,6-8)**

b. It's a promise of life (1:1,10; 2:19; 4:6-8)

c. It cannot be stopped (2:9)



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- 2. Utilize the POWER to hold to sound doctrine:**
- a. The knowledge of God (1:12)**
 - b. The enduring power of the Holy Spirit (2:3,12)**
 - c. The role-model of another (3:10-14)**



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3. Remain faithful to the PURPOSE of sound doctrine:

a. Endure and finish your race (1:8; 2:3,10,12; 3:11-12; 4:7)

b. As a person dedicated to God, be made capable and equipped (3:17)



Four Specifics About Holding to **Sound Doctrine**

- 4. Adopt a PATTERN to hold to sound doctrine:**
 - a. Protect sound doctrine (1:13-14)**
 - b. Hear sound doctrine (1:13; 2:2; 3:14)**
 - c. Speak sound doctrine (2:2, 14-15; 4:2-6)**
 - d. See sound doctrine (3:10)**
 - e. Live sound doctrine (2:22-26; 3:10, 14)**



**“But I am not ashamed because I know
the One in whom my faith is set and I am
convinced that He is able to protect what
has been entrusted to me until that day.”**

2 Timothy 1:12



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What can we do?

- 1. Be loyal to Jesus and His gospel, no matter the adversity.**
- 2. Through healthy discipleship, learn the gospel and live it communally.**
- 3. Pray for opportunities to share the gospel with others (and share it).**



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