

Message Notes

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Bible Focus: 2 Timothy 4:9-22

Series: Rock Solid

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Four commitments for life:

2 Timothy 4:9-13a, 19-21 – *Do your best to come to me quickly, ¹⁰ for Demas, because he loved this world, has deserted me and has gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, and Titus to Dalmatia. ¹¹ Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, because he is helpful to me in my ministry. ¹² I sent Tychicus to Ephesus. ¹³ When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas... ¹⁹ Greet Priscilla and Aquila and the household of Onesiphorus. ²⁰ Erastus stayed in Corinth, and I left Trophimus sick in Miletus. ²¹ Do your best to get here before winter. Eubulus greets you, and so do Pudens, Linus, Claudia and all the brothers.*

1. God's _____

2 Timothy 4:11b – *Get Mark and bring him with you, because he is helpful to me in my ministry.*

2. God's _____

2 Timothy 4:17b – *...so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it.*

2 Timothy 4:13 – *When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, and my scrolls, especially the parchments.*

3. God's _____

2 Timothy 4:14-18 – *Alexander the metalworker did me a great deal of harm. The Lord will repay him for what he has done. ¹⁵ You too should be on your guard against him, because he strongly opposed our message. ¹⁶ At my first defense, no one came to my support, but everyone deserted me. May it not be held against them. ¹⁷ But the Lord stood at my side and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. And I was delivered from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸ The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and will bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.*

4. God's _____

2 Timothy 4:22

The Lord be with your spirit. Grace be with you.

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

2 Timothy 4:9-22

1. Are you a finisher? Are you committed to finishing what you start, or are you more likely to quit somewhere along the way?
2. To what degree do you share the four commitments Paul focuses on in his last words? Talk or think through each of these four commitments: God's people, God's calling, God's Word, God's intervention.
3. How do you hope to apply this message focus? What can you do to translate the last words of the letter that God led Paul to write, into lasting words in your life and calling?