## "Strengthened by the Grace That Is in Christ" 2 Timothy 2:2-7 5/16/21

1.	Evidences of Spiritual Strength – 2-6 (1) Seek Opportunities to Teach – 2
	(2) Suffer Like a Soldier – 3-4
	(3) Disciplined Like an Athlete – 5
	(4) Work Hard Like a Farmer – 6
2.	The Key to Staying Strong – 7

## **Discussion Questions**

The following questions are designed to be used by parents in discussing the sermon with their children, but can be used by anyone in discussing the sermon with others.

- 1. What stood out to you in this sermon? Why?
- 2. Who passed the Gospel on to you? In whom are you investing the Gospel?
- 3. Who are some "faithful men" or "faithful women" in your life to whom you can hand off the Gospel?
- 4. How are you going about handing off the Gospel to others?
- 5. It's when our jobs and possessions hinder us from serving the Lord that we are "entangled" (v. 4). What "civilian pursuits" entangle you and threaten to distract you from a single-minded focus on pleasing your Commanding Officer?
- 6. How does the training and competition of an athlete illustrate what God desires from you in your daily walk with Him and ministry for Him?
- 7. Verse 5 tells us that we are to be like an athlete who competes according to the rules. Some of the rules that were mentioned in the message were: We must be born again / Be faithful in study of God's Word and obedient to it / Be faithful in prayer / Serve the Lord with self-sacrificing love / Discipline yourself. Which of the "rules" do you need to be more careful to keep?
- 8. How does hard labor of a farmer picture what God desires from you in your daily walk with Him and ministry for Him?
- 9. How is the promise in verse 7 a great encouragement and incentive to the student of Scripture?
- 10. Is spiritual understanding our responsibility or God's?