PAUL'S 2ND LETTER TO TIMOTHY: ENCOURAGED BY THE GOSPEL

"Overcome Doubt By the Encouragement of the Gospel" Part 3 2 Timothy 1:8-18

8 Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner, but share with me in the sufferings for the gospel according to the power of God, 9 who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began,

10 but has now been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel,
11 to which I was appointed a preacher, an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles.

12 For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day.

13 Hold fast the pattern of sound words which you have heard from me, in faith and love which are in Christ Jesus.

- 14 That good thing which was committed to you, keep by the Holy Spirit who dwells in us.15 This you know, that all those in Asia have turned away from me, among whom are Phygellus and Hermogenes.
- **16** The Lord grant mercy to the household of Onesiphorus, for he often refreshed me, and was not ashamed of my chain;

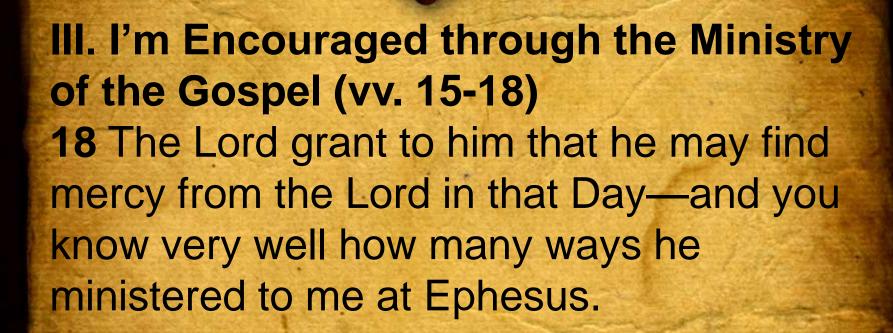
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Job 4:4 (NKJV) 4 Your words have upheld him who was stumbling, And you have strengthened the feeble knees;

Proverbs 18:24 (NKJV) 24 A man who has friends must himself be friendly, But there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.

Hebrews 13:5–6 (NKJV) 5 Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." 6 So we may boldly say: "The LORD is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?"

Genesis 28:15 (NKJV) 15 Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have spoken to you."

Deuteronomy 31:6, 8 (NKJV) 6 Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for the LORD your God, He is the One who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you." 8 And the LORD, He is the One who goes before you. He will be with you, He will not leave you nor forsake you; do not fear nor be dismayed."

Joshua 1:5 (NKJV) 5 No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life; as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you nor forsake you.