
A Dozen Points of Encouragement

2 Timothy 1:1-18

1. God Gives Us His Purpose & Promise (1)

¹ Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, according to the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus,

2. God Gives Us Ongoing Help (2)

² To Timothy, a beloved son: Grace, mercy, *and* peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

- ***Through Grace***
- ***Through Mercy***
- ***Through Peace***

3. God Gives Us Spiritual Companions (3-4)

³ I thank God, whom I serve with a pure conscience, as *my* forefathers *did*, as without ceasing I remember you in my prayers night and day, ⁴ greatly desiring to see you, being mindful of your tears, that I may be filled with joy,

- ***Mutual Prayer***
- ***Mutual Concern***

4. God Gives Us Spiritual Examples (5)

⁵ when I call to remembrance the genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also.

5. God Gives Us Spiritual Ability (6)

⁶ Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands.

6. God Gives Us Inner Strength (7)

⁷ For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

- ***He gives us power***
- ***He gives us love***
- ***He gives us a sound mind***

7. God Gives Us Hope (8-11)

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.

- ***In the midst of suffering***
- ***By saving us by grace***
- ***By giving eternal life***
- ***By appointing leaders***

8. God Gives Us Strength to Suffer (12)

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.

9. God Gives Us the Truth to Live (13)

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

- ***In faith***
- ***In love***

10. God Gives Us a Mission to Keep (14)

¹⁴ That good thing which was committed to you, keep by the Holy Spirit who dwells in us.

11. God Warns Us of Defectors (15)

¹⁵ This you know, that all those in Asia have turned away from me, among whom are Phygellus and Hermogenes.

12. God Encourages Us with Heroes (16-18)

¹⁶ The Lord grant mercy to the household of Onesiphorus, for he often refreshed me, and was not ashamed of my chain; ¹⁷ but when he arrived in Rome, he sought me out very zealously and found *me*. ¹⁸ The Lord grant to him that he may find mercy from the Lord in that Day-- and you know very well how many ways he ministered *to me* at Ephesus.

- ***Through their service***
- ***Through their diligence***
- ***Through their sacrifice***