

(1:8) Do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord or of me His prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel according to the power of God,

(2:1) You therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.

(2:2) The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful people who will be able to teach others also.

1. The suffering _____.

(2:19) "The Lord knows those who are His;" and, "Everyone who names the name of the Lord is to keep away from wickedness."

(2:22) Flee from youthful lusts and pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart.

(2:20) Now in a large house there are not only gold and silver implements, but also implements of wood and of earthenware, and some are for honor while others are for dishonor.

(2:21) Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from these things, he will be an implement for honor, sanctified, useful to the Master, prepared for every good work.

2. The suffering _____.

(2:8a;9a) Remember Jesus Christ, for which I suffer hardship even to imprisonment as a criminal;

3. The suffering _____.

(2:3-5) Suffer hardship with me, as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No soldier in active service entangles himself in the affairs of everyday life, so that he may please the one who enlisted him. And if someone likewise competes as an athlete, he is not crowned as victor unless he competes according to the rules.

--- Entrusted with the Gospel ---

1. Paul moves our _____ from ourself to _____.

(2:8-9a) Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, descendant of David, according to my gospel, for which I suffer hardship

(Philippians 3:7-11) But whatever things were gain to me, these things I have counted as loss because of Christ. More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them mere rubbish, so that I may gain Christ, and may be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own derived from the Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which comes from God on the basis of faith, that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; if somehow I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.

2. Paul moves our _____ from ourself to _____.

(2:9) for which I suffer hardship even to imprisonment as a criminal; but the word of God is not imprisoned.

(1 Peter 1:23-25) you have been born again not of seed which is perishable, but imperishable, that is, through the living and enduring word of God. For, "All flesh is like grass, and all its glory is like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls off, but the word of the Lord endures forever."

3. Paul moves our _____ from ourself to _____.

(2:10) For this reason I endure all things for the sake of those who are chosen, so that they also may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus and with it eternal glory.

(Philippians 1:27;29-30) Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ... For to you it has been granted for Christ's sake, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer on His behalf, experiencing the same conflict which you saw in me, and now hear to be in me.