



## Endurance and Eternal Glory - 2 Timothy 2:1-13

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8 Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, 9 for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! 10 Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. 11 The saying is trustworthy, for:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;  
12 if we endure, we will also reign with him;  
if we deny him, he also will deny us;  
13 if we are faithless, he remains faithful.

### ENDURANCE FOR THE JOURNEY

#### MISSIONAL ENDURANCE

Woven throughout Paul's last message to Timothy is the theme of endurance. This is not to say that we are called to just hold on for dear life as the big bad world just beats us down. No, like the endurance athlete, the hard-working farmer and the dedicated soldier we will suffer hardships, not just due to circumstances which are out of our control, but because of our personal desire to move forward in the mission set before us.

#### Joyful Endurance

We are intentionally involving ourselves in this walk, which we know comes at a cost, but we also know that the accompanying joys far out-measure any price. And in reality, Jesus paid the price, so that our walking is not done in our strength alone, but in the grace he provides.

## MY NOTES - 2 TIMOTHY 2:1-13

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