

McCoy Memorial Baptist Church

Date: January 9, 2022

Title: "His Grace is Sufficient!"

Text: 2 Timothy 2:1

INTRODUCTION:

1. Paul presents seven pictures of the Christian "_____".
The application is to all Christ's sheep (capital "M" & the small "m")

The _____ (vs. 2)

The _____ (vss. 3-4)

The _____ (vs. 5)

The _____ (vss. 6-7)

The _____ (vss. 14-18)

The _____ (vss. 19-22)

The _____ (vss. 23-26)

2. I have decided to direct our attention this morning to verse one.
"Grace" (God's strength; enablement) is found where? That's right ...
"in Christ Jesus". This verse will lead us right to the Lord's table.

PAUL'S _____ (vs. 1a)

1. What Timothy faced: He faced _____
 - A. The _____ persecution was in full swing.
 - B. _____ responsibilities were about to fall on Timothy.
 - C. A cost for faithfully communicating the message of the cross.
 - D. Widespread _____ of "Christians".
Check Out: 1:15; 2:17-18; 3:1-8; 4:3-4, 9-10, and 16-17.

2. What Paul expected: He expected Timothy to be _____.
2:1 = *su oun* ... "you then" | 3:10 = *su de* ... "you, however" | 3:14 = *su de* ...
"but as for you" | 4:5 = *su de* ... "but you".

GOD'S _____ (vs. 1b)

1. The imperative "be strong" is in the _____ voice.
2. The imperative "be strong" is in the _____ tense.
3. The source of this grace is to be found "in Christ Jesus."
NEB: "Take strength fr. the grace of God which is ours in Christ Jesus."
 1. Paul's _____ experience (2 Cor. 12:7-10)
 2. Paul's _____ experience (Phil. 4:10-13)
 3. Paul's _____ experience (2 Tim. 4:16-17)
4. ILLUSTRATION: The hull of an old ship buried in the sand.
What a humanly devised _____ force couldn't accomplish, the vastly greater forces of _____ accomplished easily!

MAKING IT PERSONAL

He Giveth More Grace

Annie Johnson Flint (A. D. 1866 - 1932)

He giveth more grace when the burdens grow greater
He sendeth more strength when the labors increase
To added affliction He addeth His mercy
To multiplied trials His multiplied peace.

When we have exhausted our store of endurance
When our strength has failed ere the day is half done
When we reach the end of our hoarded resources
Our Father's full giving is only begun.

His love has no limit, His grace has no measure
His pow'r has no boundary known unto men
For out of His infinite riches in Jesus
He giveth, and giveth, and giveth again.

This epistle contains two definite prophetic utterances concerning the coming apostasy (3:1-9; 4:3-4). The fact of this apostasy lies in the background of the epistle.

In this closing epistle Paul is given to see what will take place in the history of the Church. He foresaw "grievous wolves" would come (3:1) when there would be a deliberate refusal to hear and accept the truth, but a ready acceptance of teachings to their liking (4:3-4).

The result would be a professing church "having a form of godliness, but denying its power" (3:5).

The Apostle already saw the evidences of that apostasy in the growing number of false teachers in the churches (2:16-18; 3:6-7).