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THE SECOND EPISTLE TO TIMOTHY.
INTRODUCTORY NOTES.

1. The Second Epistle to Timothy is the latest of all Paul’s writings. It was written during his second imprisonment at Rome, within a short time of his martyrdom (4. 6), probably at the end of A.D. 67 or early 68. It is thought that at this time Timothy was at Ephesus. The apostle’s regard for his “dearly beloved son” is seen in 1. 4, and it is affecting to observe the pathetic desire to see Timothy once more before death, 4. 9, 11, 21. No further mention is made of Timothy. The tradition that he suffered martyrdom about the end of the first century is only tradition.

2. The prominent feature of this Epistle is the “church’s” departure from the truth (see 1. 18; 2. 17; 3. 8; 4. 4). When “all they which are in Asia (cp. Acts 19. 10) be turned away from Paul, he exhorts Timothy, his “son”, therefore “be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus”. No more is there heard, as in the First Epistle and in that to Titus, the apostolic guidance for church rule or administration of any kind. Only two things are possible now, “Preach the word” (4. 2), and “The things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also” (2. 2). And, as in the First Epistle, the Holy Spirit through Paul tells of even worse days to come, perilous, or grievous, times “in the last days” (3. 1; 4. 3), the only charge in connexion with which is “Continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of” (3. 14).
THE SECOND EPISODE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE
TO TIMOTHY.


4. Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

5. life and joy; of God; ful of thy tears, that

6. of God; out ceasing

7. an holy calling,

8. things: nevertheless

9. grace, which was given us

10. Father and God.

11. Greatly desiring to see thee, being mindful of thy tears, that I may be filled with joy;

12. When I call to remembrance the unfained faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also.

13. Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

14. Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,

15. But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, Who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel:

16. Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles.

17. For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed; for I know Whom I have believed, and am

1. 12. II. TIMOTHY.

Keep = guard, as in 1 Tim. 6. 20.
that which I have committed unto Him = my deposit. Gr. parathēkē. See 1 Tim. 6. 20.
against = unto. Gr. eis.
that day. The day of His appearing. Cp. 4. 8.
13 fast. Omit.
form. Gr. ἐνεποδρομήσας. See 1 Tim. 1. 16.
sound. See 1 Tim. 1. 10 and 8. 3.
words. Ap. 121. 10.
14 That good . . . thee = The good deposit. Gr. parathēkē, as in v. 12.
15 be turned = turned.
Phygellus, &c. Nothing is known of these two.
16 unto = to.
house = household. Onesiphorus must have recently died.
18 Lord. Ap. 98. VI. i. β. 2. B.
unto me. Omit.
very well. Gr. bethōn. Only here.

2. 1-26 (C, p. 1808). CHARGES CONNECTED WITH THE GOSPEL. (Introversion.)

C | C | 1-7. Charge. 

2. 1 son. Ap. 108. i.
the same = these. Gr. ἴσον. Also διαίκθουσα. Ap. 104. v. 1.
faithful. Ap. 150. III.
who = such as.
able = competent. See 2 Cor. 2. 16 (sufficient). Others. Ap. 124. 2. No reference to bishops and 
edurate hardness. Gr. ἐκκόπησα. Lit. suffer endurance. The texts read "Christ Jesus", as v. i. 4. No man 
that warreth = entangleth. Gr. ἐμπλῶν. Only here and 
crowned. Gr. ἀνάδεικνυμένος. Only here and Heb. 2. 5, 9. The crown was of wild olive or laurel leaves. except = if (can) 
... not (me). lawfully. See 1 Tim. 1. s. 8 first, &c. = the first to partake. 7 Lord. Ap. 98. VI. i. β. 2. A. give. 
The texts read "shall give".

2. 8 13 (D, above). THE GOSPEL. (Alteration.)

D | j | s. Christ's death and resurrection.
| k | 9, 10. Paul faithful unto bonds.
| f | 11, 12. Death with Christ, life with Him.
| j | 11, 12. Christ faithful, though we be unfaithful.

8 that. Omit. Jesus Christ. Ap. 98. XJ. The thoughts of Timothy were directed to the person of 
Jesus Christ, as well as to His work. Cp. Heb. 3. 1; 12 s; 13. 7, 8. o. Ap. 104. vii.
II. TIMOTHY.

9 Wherein is In (Gr. en) which, suffer trouble. Gr. kakopatiteo, as in v. 9, evil doer. Gr. kakopatoeis. Only here and Luke 23, 32, 39 (of the malefactors crucified with the Lord). For the other word for evil doer, kakopatois, see John 18, 30. unto as far as. Gr. mechri.


10 Therefore = On account of (Ap. 104. v. 2) this, for sake. Ap. 104. v. 2.

may also = also may. with. Ap. 104. xi. 1.


11 It is, &c. = Faithful is the saying. The fourth occ. See 1 Tim. 1. 18. saying = word. Ap. 121. 10. if. Ap. 118. 2, a be dead with=died with (Gr. sunapothneko) Him. See 2 Cor. 7. 5.

also live. &c. =live together also with (Gr. susteao) Him. See Rom. 6. 8.

12 suffer. Same as "endure", v. 10. also reign, &c. = reign together also, &c. Gr. sambasileuo. Only here and 1 Cor. 4. 8.


15 charging = earnestly testifying to. Gr. diamarturo. See Acts 2. 40.


p | 7. Effect of error.


19 nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are His. And, let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from Iniquity.

20 But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour.

21 If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the Master's use, and prepared unto every good work.

22 Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

23 But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes.


have On. errored. See 1 Tim. 1. 11. resurrection. Ap. 178. I. 1. as past = has taken place.


19 the foundation, &c. = God's firm foundation. sure = firm. Gr. ate.·eos. Here; Heb. 6.


of earth. Gr. ozonimos. See 2 Cor. 4. 7.

to. Ap. 104. vi. 21 purge = thoroughly purge. Gr. ekkathairo. See Cor 1. 5. 7.


18 II. TIMOTHY. 2. 23.


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24 And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient,
25 In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves;
26 And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at the snare of evil will.

3 This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.
2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,
3 Without natural affection, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,
4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than those that love God;
5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.
6 For of this sort are they which creeping into houses, and leading captive foolish Captiue in divers lusts, 7 Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth;
8 Now as Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses, so do these also resist the truth: for of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith.
9 But they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall manifest unto all men, as theirs also was.

10 But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience,
11 Persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lysitra; what persecutions I endured: but out of them all the Lord delivered me.

strive. Gr. machomai. See Acts 7. 46.
gentle. See 1 Thess. 2. 7.
apt to teach. See 1 Tim. 3. 2.
meekness. See 1 Cor. 4. 21.
instructing. Gr. paideuoi, which means to train a child, and so to chastise, chasten. Cp. Acts 22. 3, 1 Cor. 6. 5, Heb. 12. 6.
those that, &c. = the opposers. Gr. antiaditithemi. Only here.
if... peradventure = lest at any time. Gr. mepote. will = should.
snare. See 1 Tim. 3. 7.
will. Ap. 102. 2. The pronouns "him" and "his" have not the same ref. The first refers to the servant, the second to God, and the meaning of the passage is, the devil stirs up those lie has ensnared to oppose, lest God should give them repentance, and lest, having been taken captive by God's servant, they should escape the snare, to do the will of God.

3 1-4.8 (C. p. 1808). CHARGES CONNECTED WITH THE APOSTASY.
(Alternation and Intercision.)

G | 4. 3, 4. The last days. Their character.
H | 4. 5-4. Timothy. Ministry.
K | 4. 6-5. Paul's reward.

last days. See Acts 2. 17.
lovers, &c. Gr. philautia. Only here.
boasters. Gr. alazono. See Rom. 1. 30.
proud. Gr. hyperphanos. See Rom. 1. 30.
unholy. Gr. akrata. See Rom. 1. 29.
not lovers of the good. Gr. aphagathos. Only here.
lovers of the good. Gr. philagathos. Only here.
highminded = puffed up. See 1 Tim. 3. 6.
lovers, &c. Gr. philidotoma. Only here.
lovers of God. Gr. philoths. Only here.
godliness. See 1 Tim. 2. 2.
from such and from these. turn away. Gr. apotereonta. Only here.
this sort = these. creep. Gr. endunai. Only here.
houses = the houses. lead captive. See Eph. 4. 17.
silly women. Gr. gunakairion. hooked Gr. amagathidh. Only here.
Here only to. Ap. 104. vi.
s. Lit. in the manner in which.
resist. Same as "withstood". of corrupt minds = the Pet. 2. 12. as to believe. Reprobae. See Rom. 1. 28.
proceed. Gr. prokopto, as in Rom. 13. 12.
Further. Lit. to (Ap. 104. ix. 8) more. The magicians were allowed to imitate Moses up to a certain point, and then God stopped them. Ex. 7. 11, 12, 22; 8. 7, 18, 19.
manner of life. Gr. agogos. Only here.
purpose. See 1. 9.
charity. See 2. 27.
See Rom. 7. 5.
Antioch, &c. See Acts 13. 60; 14. 5, 19.
endured. See 1 Cor. 10. 13.
Lord. Ap. 98. 17. j. 2. A.
delivered. Cp. 2 Cor. 1. 10.

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12 Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

13 But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.

14 But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them;

15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, r and is profitable for doctrine,

s for reproof,

t for correction,

u for instruction in righteousness:

q 17 That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

4 I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, Who shall judge the quick and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom;

2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

4 And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

5 But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.

instruction. Gr. paideia. See Eph. 6. 4. righteousness. Ap. 191. 3. It will be noticed that in the earlier part of the verse the word "is" appears in italics, showing that there is no word for it in the Greek and it is therefore to be supplied.

The R.V. omits "in the first case and reads, "Every Scripture inspired of God is also profitable," thus suggesting that some Scriptures are not inspired. There are eight other passages which present exactly the same construction, and not one of these has been altered by the Revisers. Had they done so in the same manner as they have done in this case, the result would have been as follows:-Rom. 7. 12. The holy commandment is also just.

6 For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. 7 I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: 8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing.

9 Do thy diligence to come shortly unto me:

10 For Demas hath forsaken me, loving this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia. 11 Only Luke is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with thee: for he is profitable unto me for the ministry.

12 And Tychicus have I sent unto Ephesus.

13 The cloke that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring with thee, and the books, but especially the parchments.

14 Alexander the coppersmith did me much evil: the Lord reward him according to his works:

15 Of whom be thou warned: for he hath greatly withstood our words.

16 At my first answer no man stood with me, but all men forsook me: I pray God that it may not be laid to their charge.

17 Notwithstanding the Lord stood with me, and strengthened me; that by me the preaching might be fully known, and that all the Gentiles might hear: and I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion.

18 And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve me unto His heavenly kingdom: to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

19 Salute Priscilla and Aquila, and the household of Onesiphorus.

20 Erastus abode at Corinth: but Trophimus have I left at Miletum sick.

21 Do thy diligence to come before winter.

22 The Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Grace be with you. Amen.


8 Do, &c. = Hasten. shortly = speedily.


hath forsaken = forsook. Gr. ἐκκυσάλατο. See Acts 27. 27. this, &c. = the age that is now. world. Ap. 129. 2. unto. Ap. 104. vi. Crescens. He is not mentioned elsewhere, and perhaps had gone to Galatia at his own instance and with the apostle's consent. The same may be said of Titus. There is no condemnation of them, as of Demas, but they are not said to have been sent, as Tychicus was.

10. Same as "unto".

Luke. This faithful and devoted companion, sharer of Paul's labours and afflictions for so many years, always modestly keeping himself in the background, must have been a comfort indeed.