2 TIMOTHY 2. 11 - 13

ENCOURAGEMENT TO LOYALTY.

It is not just feeling but right disposition.

1. THE REWARDS OF LOYALTY.(11-12a)

No christian suffers loss by serving Christ. The rewards far outweigh the costs of discipleship..

1. We know this is not always so in the affairs of men..

2 Samuel 11.15.Uriah was so loyal. 2Samuel 11.11!

2. There is no inability or unwillingness on God's part to fulfil his Promises. Ephesians 3. 20-21

If the child is a boy he grow up to be a man. Especially true re spiritual things Isaiah6;13b! God does not fail.

3.If we pay the ultimate price of martydom for remaining faithful we will live. Hebrews 12;3-4 Lets not get things out of proportion.

2.THE RETRIBUTION FOR TREACHERY (VERSE 12B)

1. This was our Lord's own teaching; Matthew 10;32-33

- 2. This is not to discourage weak faith or failing faith. Great difference between Judas and Peter.
- (a) Judas had never truly believed in his heart......
- (b) At the time of denial Judas had no love for Christ
 - Peter did love Christ but feared men.
- (c) Afterwards Judas had remorse but not repentance.
- 3. there are many ways to deny Christ.Matthew 7;21-23.

3. THE ROCK OF CHRISTIANITY verse 13

1. The subject of these verses is Jesus Christ, God incarnate, verse 11.

2. These 2 things are opposites. objectively trustworthy, subjectively trustful.....Romans 3;3-4. Titus 1-2.

3.So Christ cannot deny Himself

CONCLUSION. There is a difference between faltering and presumption

Listen for these words.....loyalty; disposition; rewards; inability martydom, retribution, treachery; remorse; incarnate faltering; presumption..