

“Guarding The Treasure”
Passing On Salvation’s Legacy

2 Timothy 1: 1 - 7
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“Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.” (2 Timothy 1:13–14, ESV)

God Has Called Those Who Are Mature To Pass On The Living Legacy of Salvation, (vs. 1: 13 - 14)

1. We Must Pass On The Truth That Salvation Is By The Will Of God, (vs. 1: 1 - 7)

- **Exposition: 1a) We are called to represent Christ our Lord** **“Apostle (representative) of Christ”** - *“Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God,” (Romans 1:1, ESV)*
 - **1b) “Will of God by the promise”** *“Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant.” (Hebrews 9:15, ESV)*
 - **2a) “Beloved Child”** τέκνον - person of any age indicating special relationship; *“I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.” (3 John 4, ESV)*
 - **2b) “Grace, Mercy & Peace” - Progression** of salvation; *“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.” (John 5:24, ESV)*

3a) We are called to live within the body of Christ **“Serve as ancestors / clear conscience”** - *“But this I confess to you, that according to the Way, which they call a sect, I worship the God of our fathers, believing everything laid down by the Law and written in the Prophets, having a hope in God, which these men themselves accept, that there will be a resurrection of both the just and the unjust.” (Acts 24:14–15, ESV)*

- **3b - 4) “Remember” - “Tears, Long to see, Joy”** *“For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 1:8, ESV)*

5) We are called to practice what we believe **“Reminded of sincere faith”** *“Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord.” (Romans 12:9–11, ESV)*

- **6) Remind to fan into flame”** *“Therefore I intend always to remind you of these qualities, though you know them and are established in the truth that you have. I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to stir you up by way of reminder, since I know that the putting off of my body will be soon, as our Lord Jesus Christ made clear to me. And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things.” (2 Peter 1:12–15, ESV)*

7) We are called to be mature in the Spirit **“spirit of power, love & self-control”** *“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.” (John 14:27, ESV)*

- **Illustration: 1) Elect / knowledge of truth 2) Godliness 3) Plan manifest in preaching 4) Entrusted**
- **Argumentation: 1) “Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ, for the sake of the faith of God’s elect and their knowledge of the truth, 2) which accords with godliness, in hope of eternal life, 3) which God, who never lies, promised before the ages began and at the proper time manifested in his word through the preaching 4) with which I have been entrusted by the command of God our Savior;” (Titus 1:1–3, ESV)**
- **Application: Where have you failed to meet God’s call?**

Here every bowel of our God
With soft compassion rolls;
Here peace and pardon bought with blood
Is food for dying souls.

2. We Must Pass On The Truth That Salvation Is A Treasure Worth Guarding, (vs. 1: 8 - 18)
3. We Must Pass On The Truth That Salvation Is To Be Taught To Faithful Men, (vs. 2: 1 - 13)
4. We Must Pass On The Truth That Salvation Is Openly Manifest In Real Change, (vs. 2: 14 - 26)
5. We Must Pass On The Truth That Salvation Is Not The Norm In The World, (vs. 3: 1 - 13)
6. We Must Pass On The Truth That Salvation Is A Call To Live By The Word Of God, (vs. 3: 14 - 4: 5)
7. We Must Pass On The Truth That Salvation Is Persevering In The Faith, (vs. 4: 6 - 13)
8. We Must Pass On The Truth That Salvation Is The Reason The World Opposes Us, (vs. 4: 14 - 18)
9. We Must Pass On The Truth That Salvation Is The Only Thing That Binds People Together, (vs. 4: 19 - 22)