

# 2 Timothy 3

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## Godlessness in the Last Days

- <sup>1</sup> This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.
- <sup>2</sup> For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,
- <sup>3</sup> Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,
- <sup>4</sup> Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;
- <sup>5</sup> Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.
- <sup>6</sup> For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,
- <sup>7</sup> Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.
- <sup>8</sup> Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith.
- <sup>9</sup> But they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall be manifest unto all men, as their's also was.

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## Paul's Charge to Timothy

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

**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.

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### Abide in Scripture

**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, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

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

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## HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

### Faith — πίστις (Pistis)

Faith, belief, trust

The Greek **pistis** (πίστις) denotes faith, belief, or trust—confidence in God's character and promises. It's both intellectual assent and relational trust, central to justification (Romans 5:1).

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### God — Θεός (Theos)

God

The Greek **Theos** (Θεός) refers to deity, used both for the one true God and false gods. Context determines whether it denotes the Father specifically or the Godhead generally.

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### Lord — Κύριος (Kurios)

Lord, Master

The Greek **Kurios** (Κύριος) means 'lord' or 'master,' used both for human masters and divinely for God the Father and Jesus Christ. Its application to Jesus affirms His deity, as it translates YHWH in the Septuagint.

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### Messiah — Χριστός (Christos)

Christ, Anointed One

The Greek **Christos** (Χριστός) translates 'Messiah'—the Anointed One. Peter confessed 'Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God' (Matthew 16:16), recognizing Jesus as the long-awaited Messiah.

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## **Righteous** — δίκαιος (Dikaios)

Righteous, just

The Greek **dikaios** (δίκαιος) means righteous or just—conforming to God's standard. Christ's righteousness is imputed to believers through faith (Romans 4:5), making them legally righteous before God.

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## **Sin** — ἁμαρτία (Hamartia)

Sin, missing the mark

The Greek **hamartia** (ἁμαρτία) means sin—missing the target of God's perfection. 'All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God' (Romans 3:23), requiring Christ's atoning sacrifice.

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## **Truth** — ἀλήθεια (Aletheia)

Truth, reality

The Greek **aletheia** (ἀλήθεια) denotes truth or reality—that which corresponds to actuality. Jesus declared, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life' (John 14:6), embodying ultimate reality.

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## **CROSS REFERENCES**

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**2 Timothy 3:1** **Parallel theme:** 2 Timothy 4:3; Isaiah 2:2; Jeremiah 49:39; Ezekiel 38:16; Daniel 12:7; 12:11; Micah 4:1; 2 Peter 3:3; 1 John 2:18; Jude 1:17

**2 Timothy 3:2** **Parallel theme:** Psalms 10:3; Luke 12:15; Philippians 2:21; Colossians 3:5; 1 Timothy 6:4; James 4:6; 2 Peter 2:18; Jude 1:16. **Love:** 2 Timothy 3:4; 1 Timothy 6:10

**2 Timothy 3:3** **Parallel theme:** Daniel 8:23; Matthew 4:1; 10:21; Romans 1:31; 1 Timothy 3:11; 2 Peter 2:14; Jude 1:18; Revelation 13:15; 13:17; 16:6

**2 Timothy 3:4** **Parallel theme:** Romans 11:20; 16:18; 1 Timothy 3:6; 5:6; Jude 1:19.

**References God:** 1 Timothy 6:17; Jude 1:4

## **2 Timothy 3:5**

**Parallel theme:** 2 Timothy 2:23; Isaiah 29:13; Matthew 7:15; Ephesians 4:14; 2 Thessalonians 3:6; 1 Timothy 5:8; Titus 3:10. **References God:** 2 Timothy 2:16; 1 Timothy 6:5; Titus 1:16

**2 Timothy 3:6** **Parallel theme:** Matthew 23:13; Mark 4:19; 1 Corinthians 12:2; Titus 1:11; 3:3; 2 Peter 2:18; 3:17; Jude 1:4; 1:16; 1:18

## 2 Timothy 3:7

**Parallel theme:** Deuteronomy 29:4; Proverbs 14:6; Matthew 13:11; John 5:44; Ephesians 4:14; Hebrews 5:11. **Truth:** 2 Timothy 2:25; 1 Timothy 2:4

## 2 Timothy 3:8

**Parallel theme:** 2 Timothy 4:15; Exodus 7:11; Romans 16:18; Ephesians 4:14; Titus 1:16; 2 Peter 2:14; Revelation 2:20. **Truth:** 1 Timothy 6:5. **Faith:** 1 Timothy 1:19; 1 John 4:1

**2 Timothy 3:9** **Parallel theme:** 2 Timothy 3:8; Exodus 7:12; 9:11

**2 Timothy 3:10** **Faith:** 1 Timothy 4:6; 6:11. **Parallel theme:** Acts 11:23; Philippians 2:22; Titus 2:7; Hebrews 13:9

**2 Timothy 3:11** **References Lord:** Psalms 34:19; 2 Peter 2:9. **Parallel theme:** Acts 13:45

**2 Timothy 3:12** **Parallel theme:** Mark 10:30; John 16:33; 1 Peter 3:14. **References God:** John 16:2; Acts 14:22; Titus 2:12; 2 Peter 3:11. **References Jesus:** Matthew 16:24. **References Christ:** 1 Corinthians 15:19

**2 Timothy 3:13** **Evil:** 1 Timothy 4:1. **Parallel theme:** 2 Timothy 3:8; Job 12:16; Titus 3:3; 2 Peter 2:20; 3:3

**2 Timothy 3:14** **Parallel theme:** 2 Timothy 1:13; 2:2; 3:15; Acts 17:31; Romans 14:5; 1 Thessalonians 1:5; 2:13; 1 Timothy 4:16; Hebrews 6:11; 10:22

**2 Timothy 3:15** **Word:** Psalms 19:7; Matthew 22:29; Luke 24:27; 24:45. **Parallel theme:** Psalms 71:17; Proverbs 8:17; 22:6; Luke 2:40. **Faith:** 2 Timothy 1:5; Acts 10:43

**2 Timothy 3:16** **Word:** 2 Timothy 4:2; 2 Samuel 23:2; Psalms 119:9; 119:11; 119:130; Proverbs 6:23; Mark 12:24; Romans 15:4; Hebrews 4:12. **Parallel theme:** Proverbs 15:31

**2 Timothy 3:17** **Good:** 2 Timothy 2:21; Nehemiah 2:18; Acts 9:36; 2 Corinthians 9:8; Ephesians 2:10; Titus 2:14; 3:1; Hebrews 10:24. **References God:** 1 Timothy 6:11