

# 2 Timothy 4

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## **Preach the Word**

<sup>1</sup> 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;

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

<sup>3</sup> 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;

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

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

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## **Paul's Final Testimony**

<sup>6</sup> For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.

<sup>7</sup> I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:

<sup>8</sup> Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

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## **Personal Instructions**

<sup>9</sup> Do thy diligence to come shortly unto me:

**10** For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved 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 to me for the ministry.

**12** And Tychicus have I sent to 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 ware also; 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.

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### **Final Greetings and Benediction**

**19** Salute Prisca 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. Eubulus greeteth thee, and Pudens, and Linus, and Claudia, and all the brethren.

**22** The Lord Jesus Christ be with thy spirit. Grace be with you. Amen.

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## HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

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### 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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### Glory — δόξα (Doxa)

Glory, majesty, splendor

The Greek **doxa** (δόξα) means glory, splendor, or magnificence—the radiant manifestation of God's perfection. Christ revealed the Father's glory: 'we beheld his glory' (John 1:14).

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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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### Kingdom — βασιλεία (Basileia)

Kingdom, reign

The Greek **basileia** (βασιλεία) means kingdom—both the realm ruled and the exercise of royal authority. The 'kingdom of God' is central to Jesus' teaching, representing God's saving rule breaking into history.

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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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### Love — ἀγάπη (Agape)

Divine love

The Greek **agape** (ἀγάπη) denotes self-sacrificial, unconditional love—the highest form of love, characterizing God's nature (1 John 4:8) and the love Christians are called to demonstrate.

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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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### Save — σώζω (Sozo)

To save, deliver, heal

The Greek **sozo** (σώζω) means to save—deliverance from sin, death, and judgment. 'Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved' (Acts 16:31). The word also encompasses physical healing and spiritual wholeness.

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### Spirit — πνεῦμα (Pneuma)

Spirit, wind, breath

The Greek **pneuma** (πνεῦμα) means spirit, wind, or breath—the immaterial aspect of persons. The Holy Spirit (Pneuma Hagion) is the third person of the Trinity, dwelling in believers.

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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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## **Word** — λόγος (Logos)

Word, reason, message

The Greek **Logos** (Λόγος) means word, reason, or message—the rational principle underlying reality. John identifies Christ as the eternal Logos: 'In the beginning was the Word' (John 1:1).

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## **CROSS REFERENCES**

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**2 Timothy 4:2** **Parallel theme:** 2 Timothy 2:21; Romans 12:12; 1 Thessalonians 5:14; 1 Timothy 4:13; 5:20; Titus 1:13; 2:15; Revelation 3:19. **Word:** Galatians 6:6; Colossians 1:25

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**2 Timothy 4:21** **Parallel theme:** 2 Timothy 4:9; Philippians 4:22

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