

Lessons for Life

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⁵ Trust in the LORD with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. ⁶ Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take. **Proverbs 3:5-6 (NLT)**

^{1:3} Timothy, I thank God for you.... Night and day I constantly remember you in my prayers... ⁹ God saved us and called us to live a holy life. He did this, not because we deserved it, but because that was his plan from before the beginning of time—to show us his grace through Christ Jesus. ¹³ Hold on to the pattern of wholesome teaching you learned from me—a pattern shaped by the faith and love that you have in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴ Through the power of the Holy Spirit who lives within us, carefully guard the precious truth that has been entrusted to you.

^{2:1} Timothy, my dear son, be strong through the grace that God gives you in Christ Jesus. ¹¹ This is a trustworthy saying: If we die with him, we will also live with him. ¹² If we endure hardship, we will reign with him. If we deny him, he will deny us. ¹³ If we are unfaithful, he remains faithful, for he cannot deny who he is. ¹⁵ Work hard so you can present yourself to God and receive his approval. Be a good worker, one who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly explains the word of truth. ¹⁶ Avoid worthless, foolish talk that only leads to more godless behavior. ¹⁷ This kind of talk spreads like cancer.... ²² Run from anything that stimulates youthful lusts. Instead, pursue righteous living, faithfulness, love, and peace. Enjoy the companionship of those who call on the Lord with pure hearts. ²³ Again I say, don't get involved in foolish, ignorant arguments that only start fights.

^{3:14} You must remain faithful to the things you have been taught. You know they are true, for you know you can trust those who taught you. ¹⁵ You have been taught the holy Scriptures from

childhood, and they have given you the wisdom to receive the salvation that comes by trusting in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. ¹⁷ God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work.

^{4:5} You should keep a clear mind in every situation. Don't be afraid of suffering for the Lord. Work at telling others the Good News, and fully carry out the ministry God has given you. ²² May the Lord be with your spirit. And may his grace be with all of you.

Selections from 2 Timothy

1. Choose Your _____ Wisely

As iron sharpens iron, so a friend sharpens a friend.

Proverbs 27:17 (NLT)

2. Live the _____

A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a broken spirit saps a person's strength.

Proverbs 17:22 (NLT)

3. Feed Yourself _____

I have hidden your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.

Psalms 119:11 (NLT)

My Next Step Today Is To...

- Meditate on and/or memorize 2 Timothy 3:16
- Celebrate God's leading in my life and those he has used to guide me.
- Guard my life and my heart so that I may not be led astray but follow Christ diligently.
- Open my life to God's work as I received Jesus as my savior and Lord. Committing to follow him.