

Fall in Love with the Word of God Part 3

PPT “Fight the Good Fight!”

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Note: Unless otherwise indicated all scriptures are taken from the NKJV

Be Watchful in All Things

2 Timothy 4:5

“But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.”

- Be Watchful
- Endure Afflictions
- Do the Work of an Evangelist
- Fulfill Your Ministry

Paul’s Farewell to Timothy

2 Timothy 4:6

“For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand.”

- Paul’s life was poured out like a drink offering to God.
- Departure – *analysis* – G359 – an unloosing
- Laying down the burden in order to rest

2 Timothy 4:7

“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.”

- Fight – *agon* – Paul had done his best
- Finished the race – Paul completed his course
- Kept the faith – Paul never lost confidence or hope in the Lord.

2 Timothy 4:8

“Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.”

- Paul would receive his reward from the righteous Judge.
- To Timothy and all loyal believers, whatever discouragement or persecution we may face we know that our reward is with Christ in eternity.

God is a Shelter and a Strong Tower

Psalms 61:2-4

“From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the rock that is higher than I. For thou hast been a shelter for me and a strong tower from the enemy. I will abide in thy tabernacle forever: I will trust in the covert of thy wings.”

I hear the Lord say that He is our true shelter and He is our safe place. Shelter in Him!

"Shelter-in-place" means to take immediate shelter where you are—at home, work, school, or in between. It may also mean "seal the room;" (CDC)

Shelter in Place

I hear the Spirit of the Lord say to the church you are my beloved. I am with you always. Draw close to me and I will keep you from the snare of the enemy.

(Over the last few months, I have heard the phrase “shelter in place” several times on the news.)

I hear the Lord say to the church that we are sheltered safely in him when we abide in His Word.

How to Shelter in Place

Psalm 91:1-2

“Whoever dwells in the **shelter** of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, “He is my **refuge** and my **fortress**, my God, in whom I trust.”

How to Shelter in Place

The Hebrew word “Shelter” means “A place to hide from you enemies”

The Hebrew word “Refuge” means, “A place to run to for safety.”

The Hebrew word “Fortress” means “The one who keeps me”

The Lord is my Protector

Psalm 91:1

“Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.”

- Dwells = H3427 – To sit down, to remain, to inhabit
- Rest = H3885 – to stop, to stay permanently, to remain, to dwell, to abide
- The Psalmist found in God a hiding place...a safe place... a resting place...from the trials...troubles...temptations... & terror of this world.

John 15:1-4

“I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit. You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you. Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me.”

John 15:5-6

“I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing. If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned.”

John 15:7-8

“If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.”