



Help People, Help People, Love God

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TODAY – Do the same thing, I, Paul, have done for you. Help others, help others, love God. (2:1-7)



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the rules. ⁶ It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. ⁷ Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything.



In today's text, Paul gets downright specific about how we are to primarily promote the Good News of Jesus. We are each to help others, help others, love God.



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- **Have the clergy (paid professionals) do it**



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Jesus modeled this strategy.



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2 Timothy 1:6-7

⁶ For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, ⁷ for God gave us a spirit **not of fear** but of **power** and **love** and **self-control**.



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Our credibility to speak about the content is rooted in our character. When we love people like Jesus loves us, our credibility is increased.



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Content without character, people will not listen.



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Content without character, people will not listen. **They end up in hell.**



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¹² which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that **he is able to guard until that day** what has been entrusted to me. ¹³ Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴ **By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us**, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.



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We are never alone. Ever. God who began a work of salvation in our lives “before the ages began”, is now working in us, and He will absolutely complete what He began. He is the source of our strength.



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- Be strengthened by Christ's grace.
You are not alone.
- **Be strengthened by Paul's example.**



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- **Content**



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- **Character**



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Power of modeling



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Obstacles to being bold:

Paul:



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Paul:

- **His past**



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Paul:

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- **Imprisonment**



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- **Consistent persecution**



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- **People's indifference**



Takeaways:



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- **Who are you investing in? Invest.**

