



# HEROES





# The Apostle Paul

But 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.

**2 Timothy 4:5 NLT**

As for me, my life has already  
been poured out as an offering to  
God. The time of my death is  
near.

**2 Timothy 4:6 NLT**



I have fought the good fight, I  
have finished the race, and I  
have remained faithful.

**2 Timothy 4:7 NLT**

And now the prize awaits me—  
the crown of righteousness,  
which the Lord, the righteous  
Judge, will give me on the day of  
his return.

**2 Timothy 4:8 NLT**

And the prize is not just for me  
but for all who eagerly look  
forward to his appearing.

**2 Timothy 4:8 NLT**

...been whipped times without  
number, faced death again and  
again.

**2 Corinthians 11:23 NLT**



Five times I received from the Jews  
the forty lashes minus one.

Three times I was beaten with rods,  
once I was pelted with stones, three  
times I was shipwrecked, I spent a  
night and a day in the open sea,

**2 Corinthians 11:24-25 NLT**

I have been constantly on the move. I have been in danger from rivers, in danger from bandits, in danger from my fellow Jews, in danger from Gentiles; in danger in the city, in danger in the country, in danger at sea; and in danger from false believers.

**2 Corinthians 11:26 NLT**



I have labored and toiled and  
have often gone without sleep; I  
have known hunger and thirst  
and have often gone without  
food; I have been cold and  
naked.

**2 Corinthians 11:27 NLT**

Then, besides all this, I have the daily burden of my concern for all the churches.

**2 Corinthians 11:28 NLT**



Who is weak without my feeling  
that weakness? Who is led  
astray, and I do not burn with  
anger?

**2 Corinthians 11:29 NLT**

1. Constantly address  
your attitude.

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2 Timothy 1:11-12, 2:9-10



And God chose me to be a  
preacher, an apostle, and a  
teacher of this Good News.  
That is why I am suffering here in  
prison.

**2 Timothy 1:11-12 NLT**

But I am not ashamed of it, for I **know** the one in whom I trust, and I am **sure** that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him until the day of his return.

**2 Timothy 1:12 NLT**



And because I preach this Good News, I am suffering and have been chained like a criminal. But the word of God cannot be chained.

**2 Timothy 2:9 NLT**

So I am willing to endure  
**anything** if it will bring salvation  
and eternal glory in Christ Jesus  
to those God has chosen.

**2 Timothy 2:10 NLT**







2. Beware of getting sucked into foolish arguments and losing influence.

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2 Timothy 2:23-26



Again I say, don't get involved in foolish, ignorant arguments that only start fights. A servant of the Lord must not quarrel but must be kind to everyone, be able to teach, and be patient with difficult people.

**2 Timothy 2:23-24 NLT**

Gently instruct those who oppose the truth. Perhaps God will change those people's hearts, and they will learn the truth.

**2 Timothy 2:25 NLT**



Then they will come to their senses and escape from the devil's trap. For they have been held captive by him to do whatever he wants.

**2 Timothy 2:26 NLT**

3. Don't be surprised  
when life gets hard.

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2 Timothy 3:10-13



4. Keep good friends close.

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2 Timothy 4:9

**Timothy, please come as soon as  
you can.**

**2 Timothy 4:9 NLT**



5. Get over the people  
who disappoint you.

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2 Timothy 4:10

Demas has **deserted** me  
because he loves the things of  
this life and has gone to  
Thessalonica. Crescens has  
gone to Galatia, and Titus has  
gone to Dalmatia.

**2 Timothy 4:10 NLT**



6. Be willing to be wrong.

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2 Timothy 4:11

7. Keep your focus on Jesus.

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2 Timothy 4:16-18



The first time I was brought  
before the judge, no one came  
with me. Everyone abandoned  
me. May it not be counted  
against them.

**2 Timothy 4:16 NLT**

But the Lord stood with me and gave me strength so that I might preach the Good News in its entirety for all the Gentiles to hear. And he rescued me from certain death.

**2 Timothy 4:17 NLT**



Yes, and the Lord will deliver me from every evil attack and will bring me safely into his heavenly Kingdom. All glory to God forever and ever! Amen.

**2 Timothy 4:18 NLT**