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Introduction:

I. PAUL'S EXAMPLE OF TRIUMPH (vs. 10-11)

A. His Teaching (vs. 10a)

“now you followed my teaching”

I Timothy 4:6; 6:3-5

II Timothy 1:13

B. His Testimony (vs. 10b)

“my...conduct”

Hebrews 13:7

C. His Traits (vs. 10c)

“my...purpose [and my] faith”

I Corinthians 9:23; 10:31-33

Philippians 3:8-10

Acts 20:24

“my...patience, love, perseverance”

Galatians 5:22-23

John 13:35

Colossians 1:11

D. His Troubles (vs. 11a)

“my...persecutions and sufferings”

c.f. vs. 12

“such as happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium and at Lystra; what persecutions I endured”

Acts 14

E. His Triumph (vs. 11b)

“I endured, and out of them all the Lord rescued me”

Parenthesis: (vs. 12-13)

A. The world will have a *great dislike* for you. (vs. 12)

“all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will be persecuted”

B. The world will be characterized by a *growing decadence*. (vs. 13)

“but evil men and impostors will proceed from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived”

III. PAUL’S ENCOURAGEMENT TO TIMOTHY (vs. 14-15)

A. Resolve to be faithful. (vs. 14a)

“You, however, continue in the things you have learned and become convinced of...”

B. Remember your mentors. (vs. 14b)

“knowing from whom you have learned them”

C. Rely on the Scriptures. (vs. 15)

“that from childhood you have known the sacred writings”

“which are able to give you the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus”

Conclusion:

- 1) Spiritual faithfulness in the past is not an automatic guarantee of faithfulness in the future.
- 2) Spiritual faithfulness in the future requires recognizing and following godly examples who follow the Scriptures.