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2 Timothy Introduction

The Call to Christian Perseverance

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#### **Answering Nine Questions**



- 1) Who wrote it? Paul
- 2) What do we know about the author? An Apostle
- 3) To whom was it written? <u>Timothy</u>
- 4) When was it written? A.D. 67
- 5) Where was it written from? Rome
- 6) Why was it written? <u>Timothy's timidity</u> 8) What is inside (outline)? – 4 part outline
- 7) What is it about? <u>Perseverance</u>
- 9) What makes the book different? Paul's final word

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	Uncommon	Common		
	Gold & silver	Earthenware		
	Honor	Dishonor		
	Sanctified	Unsanctified		
	Useful for every	Useful for mundane		
	good work	use		
	Spiritual man	Infant in Christ or		
		carnal believer		

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# 4 Kinds of People from 1 Corinthians 3:1-3



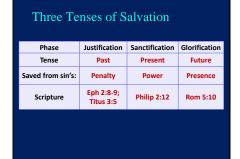
<sup>1</sup> And I, brethren, could not speak to you as to **spiritual** people but as to **carnal**, as to **babes** in Christ. <sup>2</sup> I fed you with milk and not with solid food; for until now you were not able to receive it, and even now you are still not able; <sup>3</sup> for you are still not able; <sup>3</sup> for you are sty, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving like mere **men**? (NKJV)


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# Three Tenses of Salvation Phase Justification Sanctification Glorification Tense Past Present Future Saved from sin's: Penalty Power Presence Scripture Eph 2:8-9; Titus 3:5 Phillip 2:12 Rom 5:10

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"The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace." (NIV)


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#### 2 Tim 2:14-26

- Workman (2:14-18)
- ◆ Avoid non biblical speculation (2:14, 16-18)
- Embrace biblical truth (2:15)
- Vessel (2:19-23)
- ◆ Two kinds of vessels (2:20-21)
- Avoidance of "these things" (2:19, 22, 23)
- Servant (2:24-26)
  - Teach with patience (2:24-25)
  - Reason for patience (2:26)


## <u>19</u>

1 Tim. 3:15- but <sup>[k]</sup> in case I am delayed, *I write* so that you will know how <sup>[l]</sup> one ought to conduct himself in <u>the household of</u> God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and <u>support of the truth</u>

Matt 16:18-I also say to you that you are <sup>[1]</sup>Peter, and upon this <sup>[m]</sup>rock <u>I will build</u> My church; and the <u>gates of Hades will not overpower it.</u>

Num. 16:5-and he spoke to Korah and all his company, saying, "Tomorrow morning the LORD will show who is His, and who is holy, and will bring *him* near to Himself; even the one whom He will choose, He will bring near to Himself.

Eph. 4:30-Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, [w] by whom you were **sealed** for the day of redemption.

Philip. 1:6-*For I am* confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.

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Num. 16:26-and he spoke to the congregation, saying, "Depart now from the tents of these wicked men, and touch nothing that belongs to them, or you will be swept away in all their sin."

Isa. 52:11-Depart, depart, go out from there, Touch nothing unclean; Go out of the midst of her, purify yourselves, You who carry the vessels of the LORD.

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Gen. 39:12- She caught him by his garment, saying, "Lie with me!" And he left his garment in her hand and fled, and went outside.

Matt. 5:29-30- If your right eye makes you <sup>[w]</sup>stumble, tear it out and throw it from you; for it is better for you <sup>[x]</sup>to lose one of the parts of your body, <sup>[y]</sup>than for your whole body to be thrown into

[Z]hell. <sup>30</sup> If your right hand makes you <sup>[aa]</sup>stumble, cut it off and throw it from you; for it is better for you <sup>[ab]</sup>to lose one of the parts of your body, <sup>[ac]</sup>than for your whole body to go into <sup>[ad]</sup>hell.

Rom. 6:12- Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its lusts.

Gen. 4:7- If you do well, <sup>[e]</sup> will not *your countenance* be lifted up? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door; and its desire is for you, but you must master it."

Three things sin will do. Sin will take you farther than you want to go, keep you longer than you want to stay, and cost you more than you want to pay.

Gen. 13:12-Abram dwelt in the land of Canaan, and Lot dwelt in the cities of the plain and pitched *his* tent even as far as Sodom (NKJV)

Acts 13:22- After He had removed him, He raised up David to be their king, concerning whom He also testified and said, 'I HAVE FOUND DAVID the son of Jesse, A MAN AFTER MY HEART, who will do all My [c]will.'

Isa 29:13- Then the Lord said, "Because this people draw near with their <sup>[p]</sup>words And honor Me with their <sup>[q]</sup>lip service, But they remove their hearts far from Me, And their <sup>[r]</sup>reverence for Me <sup>[s]</sup>consists of <sup>[t]</sup>tradition learned *by rote*.

Matt. 5:21-22- "You have heard that [k] the ancients were told, 'YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT MURDER' and 'Whoever commits

murder shall be <sup>[l]</sup>liable to the court.' <sup>22</sup> But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother shall be <sup>[m]</sup>guilty before the court; and whoever says to his brother, '<sup>[n]</sup>You good-fornothing,' shall be <sup>[o]</sup>guilty before <sup>[p]</sup>the supreme court; and whoever says, 'You fool,' shall be <sup>[q]</sup>guilty *enough to go* into the <sup>[r]</sup>fiery hell.

Matt. 5:27-28- "You have heard that it was said, 'YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT ADULTERY'; <sup>28</sup> but I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

## <u>23</u>

1 Tim. 1:4-nor to <sup>[c]</sup> pay attention to myths and endless genealogies, which give rise to mere speculation rather than *furthering* <sup>[d]</sup> the administration of God which is by faith

1 Tim. 4:7-But <sup>[c]</sup>have nothing to do with worldly fables fit only for old women. On the other hand, discipline yourself for the purpose of godliness.

1 Tim. 6:4-5-he is conceited *and* understands nothing; but he <sup>[e]</sup>has a morbid interest in controversial questions and disputes about words, out of which arise envy, strife, abusive language, evil suspicions, <sup>5</sup> and constant friction between men of depraved mind and deprived of the truth, who suppose that <sup>[f]</sup>godliness is a means of gain.

1 Tim. 6:20-O Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to you, avoiding worldly *and* empty chatter *and* the opposing arguments

of what is falsely called "knowledge"— <sup>21</sup> which some have professed and thus gone astray <sup>[n]</sup> from the faith.

Titus 3:9-10-" But avoid foolish controversies and genealogies and strife and disputes about the Law, for they are unprofitable and worthless. Reject a factious man after a first and second warning."

James 1:20- for the anger of man does not achieve the righteousness of God.

Num. 6:24-26-The LORD bless you, and keep you;<sup>25</sup> The LORD make His face shine on you, And be gracious to you;<sup>26</sup> The LORD lift up His countenance on you, And give you peace.'