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Okay, everyone we're gonna be uh starting open your bibles to second timothy chapter one second timothy chapter one It is good to see everyone here. What a blessing to see you this group here today We want to thank those from uh The internet we pray that god would richly bless you Again second timothy chapter one And if you make it you find your place in the bible, please stand with me Second timothy chapter one beginning in verse eight The bible says Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our lord Nor of me his prisoner But be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel According to the power of god Who had saved us? And called us With the holy calling not according to our works But according to his own purpose and grace Which was given us in christ jesus before the before the world began But is now made manifest by the appearing of our savior. Jesus christ Who had abolished death and had brought life and immortality to light through the gospel Where until I am appointed a preacher and an apostle and a teacher of the gentiles For the witch cause I also suffer these things Nevertheless I am not ashamed For I know whom I have believed And am persuaded That he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day Let's pray father.

We thank you We thank you for your word Father I thank you for this passage of scripture And father most of all I thank you for the assurance of salvation you give us In the lord jesus I ask you now lord that you would bless your word as it goes out And father may you Just allow me to preach in your power and may the hearer find strength And most of all lord bless your word as it goes out in this I pray in jesus name. Amen Well today we're looking at And what I titled this, uh, I got from Ex really from verse 12 And that's total commitment to the lord And the greatest thing you and I can do Is trust the lord with everything in our lives He's worthy To surrender our lives to him as our lord and savior And when we look at the scriptures and especially when we look at the apostle paul's testimony how he Suffered for the cause of christ how he never gave up And how he put his full trust in the lord And what an example for you and I And we need to be committed more now than ever amen So the three things we must Be sure to commit to the lord I have three things we should make sure we commit to him Number one That you committed your soul to the lord Amen Again, look at second timothy chapter 1 verse 12 In here the apostle paul is writing And in second timothy chapter 1 verse 12 he says for the witch cause I also suffer these things Nevertheless, I am not ashamed For I know whom I have believed and am persuaded That he is able to keep that which i've committed unto him against that day and when we look at this What the apostle paul is saying here is with all despite all the suffering he's gone through The despite all the those who rejected him And all the heartaches he had all the beatings he took What he's saying is here is he did it all for the lord jesus Because of what jesus did for him amen And the lord we know what happened on the on the road to damascus The apostle paul at that time was called saul and he was a persecutor of

the church He had letters in his hand. He was going out seeking those who placed their trust in christ but on that day On that day on the damascus road.

He met the lord jesus And it was that day that changed his life when he believed And I want to just ask you today Has there been a time in your life where you realized? You were a sinner on your way to hell And you couldn't save yourself Because that's exactly where you need to be. Amen to come to that understanding But here the apostle paul he speaks he speaks of The plan of salvation we we see it here in verse nine of second timothy chapter one Look what it says in verse nine Verse nine He says who had saved us And called us with the holy calling Not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace Which was given us in christ jesus before the world began It was always god the father's plan To send christ to die on the cross for you and I amen It was always what christ did Not our works. There's a lot of people that walk around thinking that they're in good standings with god because Uh, they might cross some old lady across the intersection Or some other thing, you know, but what the what the word of god says is that it was christ that went to the cross And died on the cross He was buried in three days he rose again And it's that gospel that we rest our faith on amen You realize that jesus christ suffered Bled and died for you And he paid your sin debt Like a childhood faith from from your heart you trusted him and called on him amen And called on him to become your lord and savior and that's exactly what happens in in romans chapter 10 verse 13 In romans chapter 10 verse 13 The bible says for whosoever Shall call upon the name of the lord shall be saved.

That's the same salvation we find in verse 9 of this passage of scripture amen And if you have called in faith The lord jesus the bible says you are guaranteed eternal life Because it doesn't rest in your works It rests in the power of the lord jesus in his work on the cross. What a blessing And I believe the apostle paul he was resting in this with all that he did all that was done to him for the cause of christ Because he was what? He was an apostle to the gentiles. He was a preacher of the gospel and all that he did He suffered It also says in first peter chapter 1 verse 18 In verse 19 Says for as much as you know that you were not redeemed with corruptible things As silver and gold from your vain conversation received by the tradition of your fathers But with the precious blood of christ as of a lamb without blemish and without spar What a blessing when you look at the scriptures And how they all fit together But not only are you to be making sure That you commit your your soul to the lord number two You must be real sure today That you're committed You've committed your substance to the lord We find that in romans chapter 12 romans chapter 12 Look what the bible says romans chapter 12 And this is a a scripture everyone knows most people know where i'm going Romans chapter 12 verse 1 The bible says but I beseech you Therefore brethren by the mercies of god that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice Holy acceptable unto god, which is your reasonable service And be not conformed to this world but Be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind That ye may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of god You know when we commit our soul to the lord he wants all of us Amen He wants all of us in here Uh in Uh, verse one of romans chapter 12 is called is saying presenting your bodies as a living sacrifice That means

you're committing all that you have all that you are To the lord who paid the penalty the penalty of your sin with his own precious blood And when you can get that concept That jesus died specifically for you He yes, he died for all the world to give the world an opportunity to come and have a relationship with him But when you put your faith and trust in him and you have committed Your soul to him He wants you to go even further He wants you to commit your substance to him everything that you are Amen What a blessing This is surrendering your will to his This is surrendering your plans to his plans God has truly blessed america Materialistically In an unbelievable way And if you truly look at your life compared to the rest of the world god has truly blessed you Materialistically But when you come to him and receive him as lord and savior he saves you from me from eternal damnation And at that point he doesn't want to just be your savior he wants to be your lord he wants you to take him And give him all of you Committing everything to him.

Amen What could get us totally Totally involved in serving the lord when we truly understand That everything we have Everything that we are we all We all owe it to the lord He's the creator of everything. Amen. He owns it all And even your life And when we can get a hold of that When we can get a hold of that we look at our jobs and we say lord this job you gave me.

This is your job Serve me where you have me Amen that car you drive The home you have The family that you have listen give it back to the lord say whatever you've given me It's truly yours and I give it back to you And I want to serve you with all that you give me You're not just my savior but you're my lord and here the apostle paul this is exactly how his life was was lived Even the trials in his life. He would give it to the lord he knew And that's why he could say right here in In romans chapter 12 verse 1. I beseech you therefore brethren by the mercies of god that ye present your bodies A living sacrifice And you know what a sacrifice is right is to be what? laid on an altar And god is saying now that i've given my life to you so that you may live Will you now give your life to me? So that I may live through you what a blessing when you look at that and then my last My last one is total commit to to the lord you must be real sure today That you are committed to sharing the gospel Amen Look turn with me to first peter first peter first peter chapter 3 And look what the bible says in first peter chapter 3 verse 15 Bible says but sanctify the lord god in your hearts And be ready always to give an answer To every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear And just as the apostle paul was totally committed to christ We can be also When we commit our soul to him and our substance to him and when we commit to sharing the gospel message And why must we share the gospel message it's the power It's the power unto salvation amen People get saved by the power of the the message of the cross and the resurrection And we are to be ready to share our faith always with those around us And the way that you share your faith with those around us is just as it says here sanctify the lord in your hearts And what does that mean? That means that this to have a reverence in your heart for the things of the lord Amen, it's a hot situation You can do a lot you can you can say you love the lord But if it ain't coming from your heart and you ain't serving from your heart and you ain't committed from your heart People can tell the difference Amen People can tell the difference And when those around you see that your life is

different by the way you live because of christ It will provoke them to question Those around you will will question your faith Yes, and I know some will come against your faith But there are some that have a what? Have a sincere Desire to know what makes it why why you're so different than them And it's at that time with meekness in and what? fear When we humbly tell them And you know a lot of people say well, I can't witness to to people I don't know how to witness. I don't know how how to tell them about jesus Listen, sometimes all you need to do is talk about your faith and your testimony what christ has done for you

All you need to do is go down that road. Well, one day, all the things in my life were falling apart. I had no hope.

But then somebody told me about Jesus. And I believed from my heart. And I stepped out in faith.

And I called out to him. And he heard me. And he saved me.

And he changed me. Man, that's powerful. When you begin to tell somebody how you got saved, that's a powerful thing.

Because every one of you have a testimony. If you're truly saved, you have a testimony. Amen? And God wants to use your testimony when you tell others about what he did for you.

I love that song that I hear Elvis Presley sing. He touched me. Amen? Man, if you've been touched by Jesus and by the power of the gospel message, that's something you can testify of.

Amen? Jesus, just understand this, that because you are saved, Jesus don't want you to just sit on a pew and sing kumbaya. He wants to change you. He wants to make you a different person.

He wants to give joy and peace in your life so that others look at your life. And they want what you have. And we know that Jesus, before his last command, before he went back to heaven, he commanded the church in Matthew chapter 28.

Turn with me to Matthew chapter 28. And this is not just for the pastor. This is for every blood-bought child of God.

And here in Matthew chapter 28, look what he says in verse 19. Matthew chapter 8, verse 19. And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, all power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you. And lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

This is a commandment, not just to the pastor or the deacons. This is a commandment to each

and every one of you. And if you were truly saved and you committed your soul to Christ, and then you've committed all your substance, when you recognize that he bought you with his precious blood, and he's given you freedom, and it's that freedom to what? To serve him.

And you go out with a heart filled with joy, filled with reverence to the Lord for what he's done for you. And then you live your life in obedience and by faith. And then he'll give you the opportunity to testify of who he is and what he's done for you.

Oh, just think of how much he's blessed you. Think of how much he's done in your life. What a blessing.

And you know, we don't deserve any of it. It's all by grace, all by grace. We don't stand before anybody thinking we're better than anybody else.

We stand humbly with meekness and fear, testifying who he is and what he has done. And that's the commandment that the Lord's given all of us. If he's changed you, he's sending you to a lost and dying world with the greatest message that has power, the gospel message.

And why? Because he doesn't want to see anyone. He doesn't want to see anyone suffer a death and then die and be sent to the lake of fire. Oh, think of that.

That's the reason why Jesus came. He came as a rescue mission, to rescue those lost souls and to buy them back to him. And I'll just end with this one passage of scripture, 2 Peter, 2 Peter chapter 3, 2 Peter chapter 3, verse 9. Here, Peter writes in his second epistle.

He writes in chapter 3, verse 9. He says, the Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness. But as longsuffering toward us would, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. All.

And the only way that they can come to repentance is if he sends you and I to tell them of the great, the good news that the Bible says, which is the gospel message. Because he's longsuffering toward us would, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. How could they come if you don't go? How can they come if you won't give your committed, all your substance and everything you are to the service of the cross? Always think the Lord sent somebody to you to give you that message.

Now he's sending you to give it to somebody else. Amen. What a blessing to be totally committed to the Lord.

All that you have, you know, even your sickness, even your sickness. You know, you go to the doctors, you stand sitting there, you just had your CAT scans and you find out that you have cancer and you're sitting in that office. Oh, and you're sitting and there's other people and they're

worried and they're all, they're all anxiety.

And then you strike a conversation with them. And yes, you have cancer. You can now what? Empathize with them.

But yet when they look at you, they see a different look in your eyes than they have. Theirs is filled with worry and anxiety. Yours is filled with peace and rest.

Rest in the Lord because all that you are, you have committed to him against the day, the day that you will what? One day die and stand before him at the Bema seat. Not to be judged for your sins, but to be judged for your rewards, for living and being faithful to him. It changes everything.

Yes, you could even be in a doctor's office and still bring hope to the hopeless. If you would only understand to commit yourself, your substance and your life to that gospel message that will change somebody else. Because it's not about us.

It's all about him. Amen. Let us pray.

Father, we thank you. Oh God, help us. Even in the midst of our trials, help us to learn like the Apostle Paul, even in prison, he was writing hope, letters of hope.

And Father, his whole focus was being a blessing to others because you have been a blessing to him by giving him eternal life. Father, help us to get a rise off of us and get a rise off of those who are hurting, who need a savior. And this I pray in Jesus' name, amen.