**The Race (2 Timothy)**

**Enduring the Race (2 Timothy 2:1-13)**

**Recap:**

* **Avoid Godlessness (2 Timothy 1:1-7)**
* **A Charge to All Disciples (2 Timothy 1:8-18)**
  + **Focus on what God has given you in Christ (vv. 8-12)**
  + **Follow a healthy Path of Gospel-Centered Living (v. 13)**
  + **Guard your Life in Christ through the Holy Spirit (v. 14)**
  + **Remember how you from your faith will shape your life (vv. 15-18)**
* **2 Timothy 2:1-13**
* **Paul longs for Timothy to endure the race. To withstand the hardship and bear up under persecution. To do this Timothy must be strong in the grace of Christ Jesus. That said, the goal is not to merely endure hardship. The goal is to embrace the gift of eternal life with God.**
* **In this passage Paul offers 4 Words of Encouragement to Timothy, and I believe it will encourage us today as well.**

1. **Borrow Strength from the Grace that is in Jesus Christ (v. 1)**
2. **Entrust the Gospel to Others who will do the same (v. 2)**
3. **Suffering Hardships as a Good Soldier (vv. 3-7)**
4. **Remember what the Suffering of Jesus Accomplish (vv. 8-13)**

**Conclusion:**

**4 Words of Encouragement:**

1. **Borrow Strength from the Grace of God**
2. **Entrust the Gospel to Others**
3. **Suffering Hardships**
4. **Remember the Suffering of Jesus Christ**