



Sermon Outline

Sermon Series: Passing the Baton of Faithful Ministry

Sermon: *Building up a Fellow Believer's Faith*

Key Verse: II Timothy 1:1-5

Introduction: As believers in Christ, we are about passing the baton of faithful ministry to the next generation. Timothy wasn't as strong compared to when he first began his ministry. Knowing this has led Paul to write this letter of encouragement. This is Paul's farewell address prior to his death.

- I. Paul's ***Experience*** of God's Grace - v1
Galatians 1:15, I Corinthians 15:10,

- II. Paul's ***Expression*** of God's Best for Timothy - v2

- III. Paul's ***Encouragement*** to Timothy - v3

- IV. Paul's ***Endearment*** for Timothy - v4
Acts 20:36-38

- V. Paul's ***Endorsement*** of Timothy – v5
I Timothy 1:5, Acts 16

The Takeaway: A faithful ministry is never a sacrifice.

David Livingstone, a pioneer missionary to Africa wrote: *People talk of sacrifice I have made in spending so much of my life in Africa. Away with the word in such a view, and with such a thought! It is emphatically no sacrifice. Say rather it is a privilege. Anxiety, sickness, suffering, or danger, now and then, with foregoing of the common conveniences and charities of this life, may make us pause, and cause the spirit to waver, and the soul to sink; but let this only be for a moment. All these are nothing when compared with the glory which shall be revealed in and of us (Romans 8:18). I never made a sacrifice.*