

Sermon Outline Sermon Series: Passing the Baton of a Faithful Ministry Sermon: Allies and Adversaries

Key Verse: II Timothy 4: 9-22

Introduction: Ministry is a team approach.

I.

A Longing for Timothy to Visit – vv9,13, 21

Do your best to come to me soon. ¹³ When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. ²¹ Do your best to come before winter.

II. A List of Allies and Adversaries – vv10-15

¹⁰ For Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia,^[b] Titus to Dalmatia. ¹¹ Luke alone is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is very useful to me for ministry.¹² Tychicus I have sent to Ephesus. ¹⁴ Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will repay him according to his deeds. ¹⁵ Beware of him yourself, for he strongly opposed our message.

///. A Last Doxology – vv16-18

¹⁶ At my first defense no one came to stand by me, but all deserted me. May it not be charged against them! ¹⁷ But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.¹⁸ The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.



The Takeaway: Other Friends to Remember.