



Sermon Outline

Sermon Series: Passing the Baton of a Faithful Ministry

Sermon: *A Victorious Epitaph of Paul*

Key Verse: II Timothy 4:6-8

Introduction: Epitaph: a phrase or form of words written in memory of a person who has died. It is something by which a person, time, or event will be remembered. Usually written on a tombstone:

Our text today has Paul's epitaph surround by other last statements. Paul reflects on his present end is near, and then his past ministry, and finally his future reward.

I. The Present: Paul's End has Come – v6

For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come.

II. The Past: Paul's Endurance as a Warrior – v7

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

III. The Future: Paul's Eternal Rewards – v8a

Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day,

The Takeaway – A bright future for all believers - v8b

and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.