

UNVARNISHED TRUTH of life: One Great Task

- 1. Be strong in the grace
- 2. Be committed to Jesus
- 3. Be active for God's cause

Be strong in the grace 2 Timothy 2:1-2

You therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. 2 And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.

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- Be an obedient child who is strong in the Lord
- Be a flaming evangelist who is faithful in sharing God's message

▶ You therefore must endure[a] hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. 4 No one engaged in warfare entangles himself with the affairs of this life, that he may please him who enlisted him as a soldier.

And also if anyone competes in athletics, he is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. 6 The hardworking farmer must be first to partake of the crops. 7 Consider what I say, and may[b] the Lord give you understanding in all things.

Be a good soldier of Christ Jesus
He endures suffering (v. 3)
He doesn't get entangled in the affairs of the world (v. 4).

Be a disciplined athlete who plays according to the rules (v. 5).

Be a hardworking farmer who focuses on the future harvest (vv. 6-7).

Be active for God's cause 2 Timothy 2:8-10

Remember that Jesus Christ, of the seed of David, was raised from the dead according to my gospel, 9 for which I suffer trouble as an evildoer, even to the point of chains; but the word of God is not chained. 10 Therefore I endure all things for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

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- God's Word cannot be bound
- Gospel of Jesus Christ bring salvation ...

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Prayer

Dear Jesus Christ, I pray to be strong in the grace, be committed to Jesus, and be active for God's cause. In Jesus' name, Amen