May 16, 2021 Willerup United Methodist Church Sermon Notes Pastor Marvin Singh



Charge to the Graduates

In 2 Timothy, Paul was charging young Timothy with tasks to pursue in his journey of life, faith, ministry. These tasks will bring blessing.

The same charges will serve us well today.

1. REMEMBER THE FLAME

1:6-7 "Fan into the flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline."

2. GUARD

1:14 "Guard the good deposit that was entrusted to you – guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us."

3. BE STRONG

2:1 "Be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus."

4. ENDURE

2:3 "Endure hardships," show discipline – like a good:

- "soldier" don't get involved in affairs which are not your concern
- "athlete" compete according to the rules
- "farmer" hardworking, to receive a share of the crops

5. REMEMBER JESUS CHRIST

2:8-10 Who was "raised from the dead," and therefore, "endure everything for the sake of the elect."

6. BE A WORKMAN APPROVED

2:15 – "Have no need to be ashamed of anything." "Correctly handle the word of truth."

7. AVOID

2:16 "Avoid vain chatter," otherwise you too will become ungodly.

8. STAND FIRM

2:19 "The Lord knows those who are his."

9. FLEE & PURSUE

2:22 "Flee from the desires of youth." "Pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace."

10. MARK THIS:

3:1 "You live in terrible times."

Ephesians 5:15-16 "Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil."

11. CONTINUE

3:14 "Continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it."

12. PREACH THE WORD

4:2 "Be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage – with great patience and careful instruction."