

Getting Ready to Leave

II Timothy 4:5-6

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Introduction – Paul, as he sees the end in sight, is ready to go. He is without regret, and in spite of what the present situation looks like, is ever so mindful of others (Timothy and the church), and spreading the true message of salvation.

I. Watching – vs. 5

- All things – the real priorities in life
- Watch for what?
- A shepherd's watch

II. Enduring Afflictions – vs.5

- Satan doesn't play
- Spiritual power game, we are saved to a battlefield, not a playground - **II Timothy 2:3-4**

III. What is an Evangelist? – vs.5

- John Gill: *“Such an one is not to read lectures of morality, or to preach up justification and salvation by the works of the law; or to mix law and Gospel together, and confound them both; but to preach peace, pardon, righteousness, life, and salvation alone by Jesus Christ, and through the free grace of God”*
- Full proof: An “example” and “ensample” – **II Timothy 2:2**

IV. “As for myself” – vs. 6

- A poured out life (*spendo*) – **Philippians 2:16-17, Leviticus 9:8-9**
- Life without regret, or minimal regrets, not a wasted life

V. Time of Departure – vs. 6

- Departure (analysis) unwoven, from the body
- But never separated from God and the Lord Jesus Christ – **I John 1:1-4**
- The true meaning of the word “fellowship” (*kononia*)

Conclusion – *“All life is bound to a simple truth... that time goes on, that in each person's life begins a tale, a tale that will either end in memory or in legend.”* (M.J. Chrisman).