

A Significant Life - 2 Timothy 4:6-8

1. A Significant Life Involves _____ (6)

Significance and Sacrifice Are Linked in Scripture

- **Paul's death was the climax of a _____ sacrifice**

Romans 12:1, "that you present your bodies a living sacrifice"

- **Many sorrows can be _____ by living an insignificant life**

Proverbs 14:4, "Where no oxen are, the trough is clean; but much increase comes by the strength of an ox."

_____ Christians Do Not Lead Significant Lives

2. A Significant Life Appreciates _____ (6)

Paul Was Not a Fatalist but a Realist

Paul knew he was coming to the end of his life. Timothy's ministry was beginning as Paul's ministry was ending.

- **Paul had a biblical _____ of time**

He did not use the word for clock time *chronos* but the word *kairos* a period of time. He had very likely prayed the prayer

of David in Psalm 39:4-5.

- **Paul taught the _____ of time**

Ephesians 5:15-16, Colossians 4:5

Paul used the same word for time in these verses.

- **Paul evaluated time by _____**

Paul did not view the end of his life even by execution as a tragedy but as a passage, Philippians 1:21-23.

A Significant Life Has Used Time to _____ For Eternity

3. A Significant Life Experiences _____

_____ (7)

The Imagery of a Soldier

He is preparing young Timothy for the inevitable conflict and challenge that service to the Lord will bring, 1 Timothy 6:12.

- **Paul was not always _____**

2 Timothy 2:3-4, "You therefore must endure hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. No one engaged in warfare entangles himself with the affairs of this life, that he may please him who enlisted him as a soldier."

Paul lived to please the Lord not to please people.

- **Paul was often _____**

2 Timothy 3:10-12, "persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra — what persecutions I endured"

A Significant Life Will Not Be Found In the Pursuit of Comfort and _____

4. A Significant Life Continues _____ (7)

The Imagery of an Athlete

- **Paul completed the course God _____ to him**

Acts 20:22-24, "...so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God."

- **Paul stayed on course by staying focused**

upon the _____

Philippians 3:13-14, "I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus."

_____ Living Will Not Produce a Significant Life

5. A Significant Life Guards What God _____ (7)

The Imagery of a Steward

• _____ **we have has been given to us by God**

1 Corinthians 4:7, "And what do you have that you did not receive?"

1 Corinthians 4:1-2, "Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful."

• **Paul kept safe the _____ of truth and passed it on to Timothy**

2 Timothy 1:13, 2 Timothy 3:14-17,

These words are especially relevant to us today amidst all of the alternate truth claims and false doctrine.

A Significant Life _____

To the Word of God and the God of the Word

A Significant Life Is a Life That God Will _____

(8) "Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness"

The word for crown is *stephanos*, a crown of reward. When God stamps "finally" over my life, what eternal significance will be found?