



2 Timothy 4:9-22 (ESV)

⁹Do your best to come to me soon. ¹⁰For Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. ¹¹Luke alone is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is very useful to me for ministry. ¹²Tychicus I have sent to Ephesus. ¹³When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. ¹⁴Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will repay him according to his deeds. ¹⁵Beware of him yourself, for he strongly opposed our message. ¹⁶At my first defense no one came to stand by me, but all deserted me. May it not be charged against them! ¹⁷But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

¹⁹Greet Prisca and Aquila, and the household of Onesiphorus. ²⁰Erastus remained at Corinth, and I left Trophimus, who was ill, at Miletus. ²¹Do your best to come before winter. Eubulus sends greetings to you, as do Pudens and Linus and Claudia and all the brothers.

²²The Lord be with your spirit. Grace be with you.

1. Demas loved the “present world”. What do you think it means to love the present world?
2. Count the people in these verses. Why do you think he talks about them?
3. We meet Mark in Acts 12:12 and he disappears in Acts 15:37-39. Why might it be significant that Paul asks him to come with Timothy?
4. What book would you ask for beside the Bible if you only had a little while to live? (13)
5. Would you rather have everyone desert you and the Lord stand by you or the Lord desert you and all your friends nearby? Why?
6. Describe in your own words the assurance of verse 18.
7. If you wanted to encourage and reassure someone, what benediction could you give them that would be better than verse 22?