Facing Corona Virus

- 1) Don't know what to do? Keep your eyes on the Lord 2 Chronicles 20:12
- 2) Pray Philippians 4:6-7

President Trump, Vice-President Pence, CDC (Doctors)... Surgeon General Congress, Senate, Governors... Mayors...

Those who are infested... Hospitals, doctors, nurses, First Responders

"Test" → Takers

3) Do not fear: Claim your promises

Isaiah 12:2

Psalm 56:3

Psalms 23, 46, 91

Hebrews 13:5-6

4) Control your mind...

2 Timothy 1:7

Philippians 4:8

2 Corinthians 10:5-7

Isaiah 26:3

5) Count your blessings!!!

Enjoy your family...

"This too shall pass..."

6) Help others...

Socially separated? Get spiritually connected to pray; encourage others

7) Keep on living... Keep on trusting God.

2 Timothy 1:6-14 (NLT)

6 This is why I remind you to fan into flames the spiritual gift God gave you when I laid my hands on you.

7 For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and selfdiscipline.

8 So never be ashamed to tell others about our Lord. And don't be ashamed of me, either, even though I'm in prison for him. With the strength God gives you, be ready to suffer with me for the sake of the Good News.

9 For God saved us and called us to live a holy life. He did this, not because we deserved it, but because that was his plan from before the beginning of time—to show us his grace through Christ Jesus.

10 And now he has made all of this plain to us by the appearing of Christ Jesus, our Savior. He broke the power of death and illuminated the way to life and immortality through the Good News.

11 And God chose me to be a preacher, an apostle, and a teacher of this Good News.

12 That is why I am suffering here in prison. But I am not ashamed of it, for I know the one in whom I trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him[a] until the day of his return.

13 Hold on to the pattern of wholesome teaching you learned from me—a pattern shaped by the faith and love that you have in Christ Jesus.

14 Through the power of the Holy Spirit who lives within us, carefully guard the precious truth that has been entrusted to you.

Do Not Fear

Part 2

2 Tim 1:7	$Paul \to Timothy$	$\text{Coach} \rightarrow \text{Athlete}$
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Father \rightarrow Beloved Son Mentor \rightarrow Student

NOTE: Has not given (past tense... given \rightarrow gift and not earned)

The spirit of timidity... but boldness

Power Acts 1:8

- └ Sound mind self-control; disciplined
- No fear of persecution, suffering or death because Jesus Christ is the Master of my fate, the Holy Spirit is the captain of my soul

What is Next? What do you do now?

 Do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord Gospel – Rom 1:16 Testimony – Birth... Life...teaching...death on the Cross (shameful, humiliating), Resurrection Be bold about your conviction... Speak up Acts 4:13 – Boldness comes by being with Jesus Prov 28:1 Righteous are bold as lion Stand up... No compromise

NOTE: Teaching John 14:6 →the Way (no going), the Truth (no knowing), the Life (no living)
John 3:3 Born again
Luke 16:19-31 Heaven/Hell

2. Do not be ashamed of the people of God

Paul – not prisoner of Nero but of Christ Why? Acts 9:16 will of God Tell them you go to Covenant Family Church... Who you belong to "No secret service saints; no blend in brother"

3. Be willing to suffer for the sake of the Gospel

2 Tim 3:12 Luke 9:23 Take up your cross daily and follow Me Count the cost... Matt 10:37 family...

- 4. Anchor your life in the Lord's sovereign grace (vs 9-11) God's grace →odds with Satan's worldly system →Reject any sense of entitlement His grace is sufficient for you 2 Cor 12:9-10 Dig deep…foundation is the grace of God.
- 5. Total trust in the Lord No reservation; no hesitation

2 Tim 1:12 <u>I am not ashamed</u> – [no fear of persecution/death]

Investment – He will hold securely and reward me

- A. What I have been entrusted with The Gospel... your calling... anointing
- B. What I have entrusted to Him My life; my soul

He is able.... God will vindicate my life

Like Abraham Rom 4:21 fully persuaded

2 Tim 4:7 fight the good fight; finished the course; keep the faith

Until that day... Day of reward 2 Tim 4:8 Heb 11:6

Conclusion: Be bold for your faith... Take a stand.

No compromise

Be loyal, faithful....until the end Rev 12:11