

*What comes to mind when you hear a name?***Word of the Day: Name**

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- 1 Timothy 4:16

1) Demas: In Love with this World**Matthew 22:36-40**

- Demas was not an evil person but his love for the world kept him from giving his attention to the things of God.
- Colossians 4:4 and Philemon 24 show that Demas was working alongside Paul.
- Romans 12:2 we are not to be conformed to this world

2) Crescens, Titus and Tychicus: Sent Out

- Sent is used in the Bible to be an evangelistic mission (Matt. 10:5; Mark 6:7)
- These men were being sent to strengthen and encourage the churches that have been established earlier.
- Tychicus is mentioned in Titus 3:12 and is the letter carrier for the book of Ephesians (6:21) , Colossians (4:7) and this letter to Timothy.

3) Luke: Faithful

- Luke as a doctor, friend and traveled with Paul (Col. 4:14; Philemon 24)

4) Mark: Helpful

- Acts 15:37-39 Paul had a falling out with Barnabas over Mark because Mark had abandoned them earlier on a missionary journey. (Acts 12:12, 25: 13:13)

5) Carpus: Trustworthy

- Paul's most precious items were left with someone he could trust.

6) Timothy: Loving Friend**7) Alexander: Harmful**

- There is much debate about if this is the Alexander that has been kicked out of the church earlier (1 Tim. 1:20) because Alexander was a common name.

The Lord will Repay**Romans 12:18-20, Mark 16:17-18**

- "Strongly Opposed" shows the harmful damage Alexander has done to keep the "Good News" of the message of Christ from going out into the world.
- 2 Timothy 2:25 says to correct your opponents with gentleness

8) The Lord: My Strength, Companion and deliverer,**Psalms 22:11, Matthew 10:16-20**

- What do you think of when you think about The Lord?
- Paul was well versed in the Old Testament and there is a connection to what he is going through with Psalm 22 a Psalm that Jesus also quoted in Matthew 27:29,39
- 1 Corinthians 13:5 says to keep no records of wrongs.
- Ultimately, we will stand before God so we do not fear what man can do. (Heb. 13:6)

But the Lord stood by Me**Psalms 23:4**

- Paul may have been abandoned by people counted as friends, but he was never alone
- John 14 has the same idea that He will come and take us to our new home.
- Matthew 28:20 Christ promised to always be with His followers

The Lord gave me Strength

- Paul knew his strength was not to be found in himself but from the Lord (1 Tim. 1:12)
- Paul stood trial in Jerusalem and when it became violent the Lord made him a promise found in Acts 23:10-11.

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- Do not try to make much of what the Lion is because it can just mean extreme danger or death, although people have tried to tie it to Satan, Nero or even being eaten by a Lion in the Amphitheater which would not have been done to a Roman Citizen.
- Romans 10:17 Faith come by hearing.

The Lord will rescue me

- The rescue that Paul is meaning is the rescue from this world and all its problems and brought into the Kingdom of God.
- Romans 8:35-37
- Paul has a hope that goes beyond this world because he has seen the risen Christ. (Acts 9)

9) Priscilla and Aquilla: Fellow Workers

- Paul first met them because they were Jewish and kicked out of Rome and at some point, became Christians. He lived with them during his second missionary journey and even hosted church at their house. (Acts 18:2-3, 18-19,26; Rom. 16:3; 1 Cor. 16:19)

10) Onesiphorus: Sacrificial

11) Erastus, Trophimus, Miletus: Companions

- Erastus: It is unclear if this is the same person mentioned in Acts 19:22 and or Romans 16:23
- Trophimus is seen in Acts 20:4 and 21:29
- What we do know about Trophimus is that he has gotten sick and could not keep traveling with Paul.
- In 1 Corinthians 12 Paul prayed for a "thorn in his flesh" to be removed but God decided not to remove it and so he says in verse 10

The Lord be with your spirit Grace be with you.

- The idea is that although you know the Lord is with you, that you would also sense that Christ is with you.x-

Devotions 2 Timothy 4:9-21

1. How would you feel if none of your friends showed up and spoke on your behalf in front of a judge?
2. What is the one promise we have from the Lord when it seems everyone has abandoned us?
3. Why should we forgive people when they let us down?
4. Is it alright to warn people about someone that has caused you harm? Why or why not?
5. What was Paul able to do in court even though he was on trial for his life? (vs 17)
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