# DISCIPLINES OF A DISCIPLE 2 TIMOTHY 2:1-7

## 2 Timothy Background

Author: Apostle Paul written to Timothy

Dated: 67-68 A.D.

Book Theme: Ministry as Spiritual Combat

**Book Outline:** 

I. Instructions for Spiritual Combat (1-3)

II. Commission to Spiritual Combat (4)

#### I. <u>Draw</u> Strength from Christ Jesus (1)

- A. Be Strong
  - i. Greek "*endynamoō*" become strengthen
- B. The Source
  - i. Phil.4:13; 1 Tim.1:12; 2 Tim.4:17

- I. Draw Strength from Christ Jesus (1)
- II. <u>Disciple</u> Faithful Saints (2)
  - A. These "things"
    - i. <u>"Sound words"</u> (1 Tim.1:13)
    - ii. The gospel
  - B. Entrust "set before someone"
  - C. Teach, reproof, correct, and train others with Scripture (2 Tim.3:16)

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- III. <u>Disciplined</u> through Difficulty: Three Examples (3-6)
  - A. Soldier (3-4)

#### Soldier's Characteristics

Commanding Officer – Christ Jesus

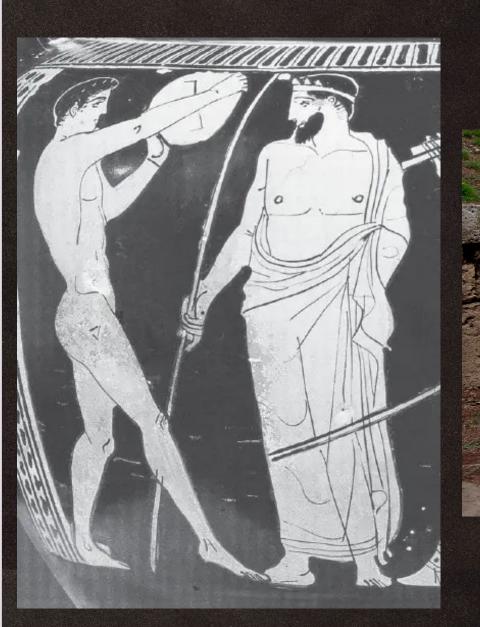
Characteristics of a Soldier

Excellent

Focused

Ambitious

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- IV. <u>Discern</u> All Things with Scripture (7)

"Discernment is the skill of understanding and applying God's Word with the purpose of separating truth from error and right from wrong. It is a task in which we attempt to see things as God sees them...Empowered by His Spirit, [believers] strive for and are given an understanding of what is pleasing to God and what is not."

Tim Challies, "The Discipline of Spiritual Discernment"

### **Implications**

- 1. Seek refuge in the grace of God, the source of our strength.
- 2. Disciple those who have proven themselves faithful.
- 3. Live as a good soldier, obey the rules as an athlete, and work hard as the farmer for the glory of Christ.
- 4. Read the Scriptures and pray as you discern through the hardships of life.