

II Timothy, Passing the Baton Series
Retain the Pattern of Sound Words: Logic on Fire!
II Timothy 1:13-18

Background:

- *Written in the Fall of 67AD from prison in Rome. Paul has been saved by and an apostle of Jesus Christ for some 33 years. This is his “swan-song”, baton-handoff to Timothy.*

v8-12: Timothy's call to courage by remembering just Who it is we serve

v8-9, Seeing things from the perspective of God's eternal decrees -1 Peter 1:18-21,

*v10a, **God's decrees proven** out in history, time and place*

*-v10b, **The Resurrected Jesus Christ**, - the **real, living, infallible source of immortality** (really living forever in a real place in a real body with the living God and His real people in real happiness and joy) for all who identified with Him*

*-v10c, This is the **real gospel – the good news of Jesus Christ!***

v12, Paul has “paid it forward” - his hopes and dreams shipped safely ahead of him.

v13-18: The call to faithfulness and accuracy. Follow the apostolic template in word and attitude!

*v13, The first command: **Retain** the _____ (hupotyposis – template, schematic) of _____*

*- **By means of** faith in, and love of Christ Jesus*

*v14, The second command: **Guard** the _____
(the apostolic deposit in both exact word and attitude of delivery)*

*- **By means of** the Holy Spirit of truth, logic and power*

*v15, The **negative example** of Phygelus & Hermogenes*

*v16-18, The **greater positive example** of Onesiphorus*