

# **In The Home Stretch**

## **2 Timothy 2:1-7**

2 Timothy 2:1 Timothy, my dear son, be strong through the grace that God gives you in Christ Jesus.

# Pardon and Power

A Biblical  
Theology  
of Grace

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*"Grace is not simply leniency when we have sinned. Grace is the enabling power of God. Grace is not just pardon, grace is power."*

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Acts 1:8 (Jesus said), But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses ... to the ends of the earth.

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Colossians 1:28 So we tell others about Christ, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all the wisdom God has given us. We want to present them to God, perfect in their relationship to Christ. <sup>29</sup> That's why I work and struggle so hard, depending on Christ's mighty power that works within me.

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1 Corinthians 15:10 But whatever I am now, it is all because God poured out his special favor on me—and not without results. For I have worked harder than any of the other apostles; yet it was not I but God who was working through me by his grace.

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2 Timothy 4:16 “At my first defense, no one came to my support, but everyone deserted me. May it not be held against them. <sup>17</sup> But the Lord stood at my side and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it.”

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“Jesus gave his life for us, so that he could live his life through us.”



*My* **GRACE** is sufficient  
for you

*For my* **POWER** is made perfect  
in weakness.

1 Corinthians 12:13



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*"a man of middling size, and his hair was scanty, and his legs were a little crooked, and his knees were projecting, and he had large eyes and his eyebrows met, and his nose was somewhat long, and he was full of grace and mercy ...".*

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2 Corinthians 10:10 For some say, “His letters are weighty and forceful, but in person he is unimpressive and his speaking amounts to nothing.”

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2:2 You have heard me teach things that have been confirmed by many reliable witnesses. Now teach these truths to other trustworthy people who will be able to pass them on to others.

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<sup>2:3</sup> Endure suffering along with me, as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. <sup>4</sup> Soldiers don't get tied up in the affairs of civilian life, for then they cannot please the officer who enlisted them. <sup>5</sup> And athletes cannot win the prize unless they follow the rules. <sup>6</sup> And hardworking farmers should be the first to enjoy the fruit of their labor. <sup>7</sup> Think about what I am saying. The Lord will help you understand all these things.