

**Share in Suffering**  
2 Timothy 1:8-18

“I thought I trusted the rope until it mattered to me whether it would bear me.” C.S. Lewis

*For this reason I remind you to **fan into flame the gift of God**, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control. Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but **share in suffering** for the gospel by the power of God.* 2 Timothy 1:6-8

**1. The calling** (9-12a) - Why should we share in suffering?

*“which is why I suffer as I do” (12a)*

He \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to a holy calling.

**Why?** *“Not because of our works, but because of His own purpose and grace”*

Don't separate God's \_\_\_\_\_ and God's \_\_\_\_\_.

**Where?** *“which He gave us in Christ Jesus”*

**When?** *“Before the ages began”*

abolished death =

“for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, which is why I suffer as I do”

2. The \_\_\_\_\_ (12-14) – How can we share in suffering without shame?

*“But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed” (12)*

- He is \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ -

1. *“What has been entrusted to me”* – \_\_\_\_\_
  2. *“What I have entrusted to God”* – \_\_\_\_\_

- I am \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ -

*“By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.”*  
(14)

Don't separate God's \_\_\_\_\_ and our \_\_\_\_\_.

3. The \_\_\_\_\_ (15-18) – What does this look like practically?

- \_\_\_\_\_ examples (15) –
- \_\_\_\_\_ example (16-18) –
  - He provided \_\_\_\_\_.
  - He was not \_\_\_\_\_.
  - He diligently \_\_\_\_\_ Paul.

What are some practical ways we might fan the flame of God's gift in us by sharing in suffering for the gospel by the power of God?