

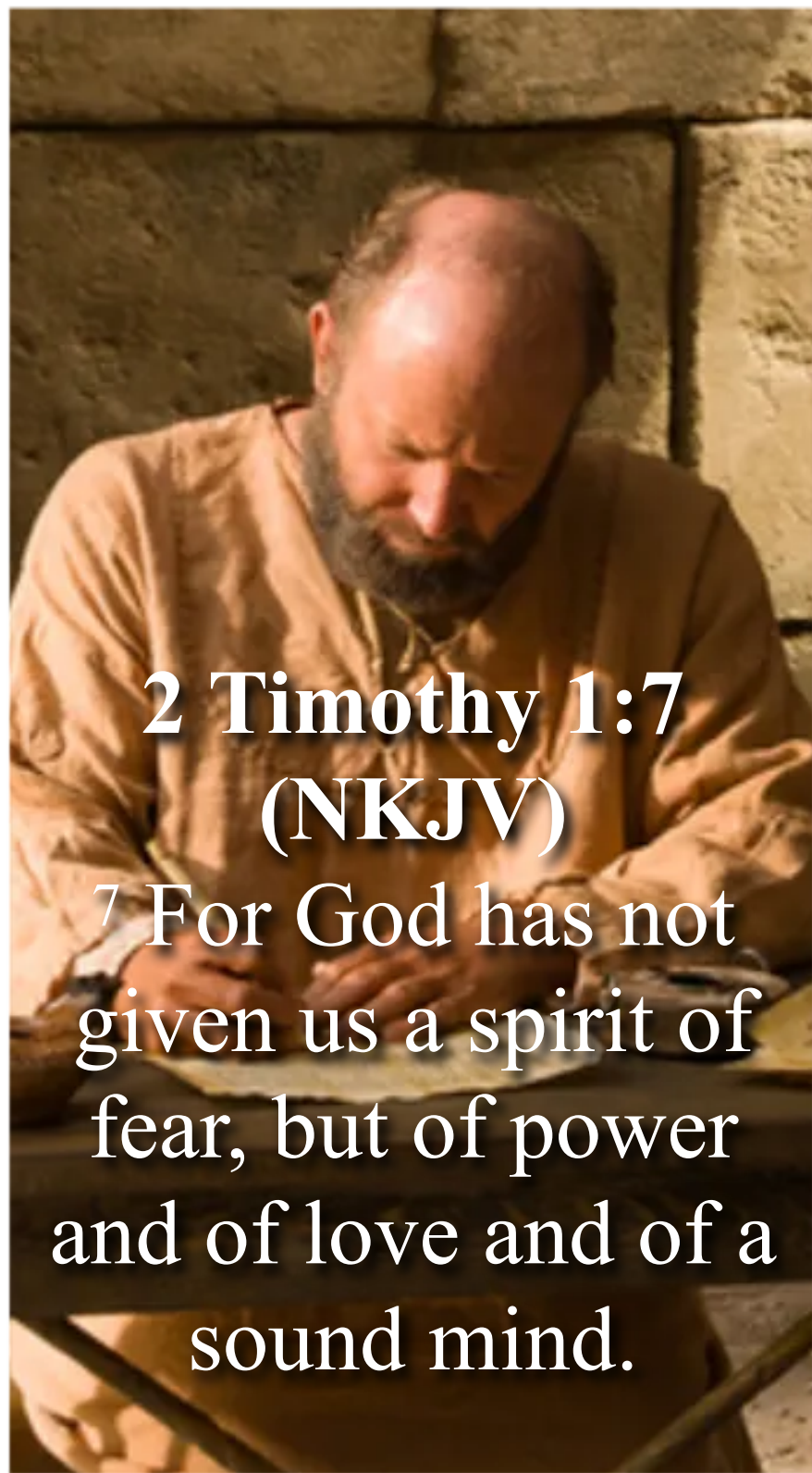
SECOND TIMOTHY

THE LAST WORDS
OF THE APOSTLE PAUL

**“The Value of Being
Committed To The Lord,
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(2 Timothy 1:8-12)**



BE COMMITTED, NOT ASHAMED!



**2 Timothy 1:7
(NKJV)**

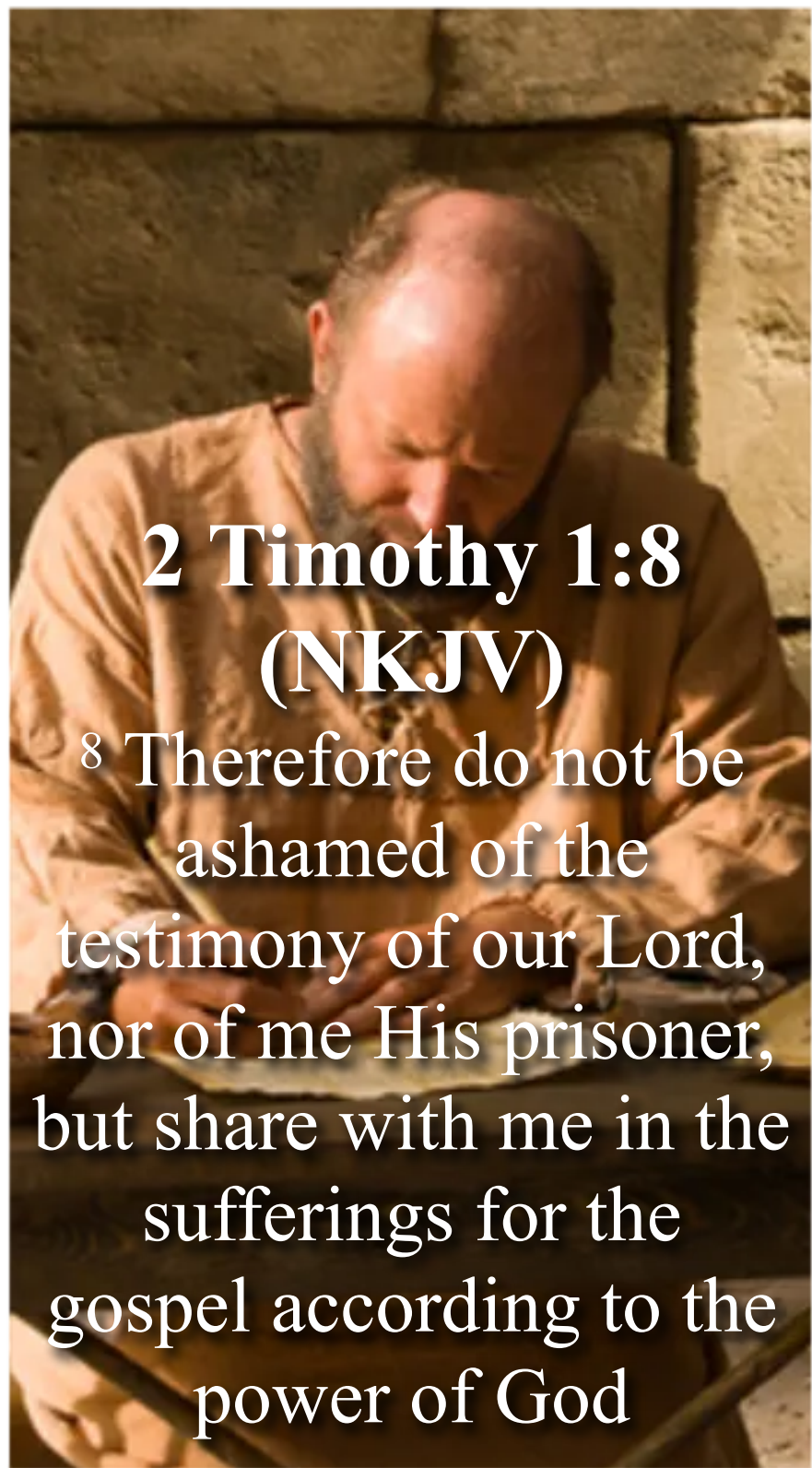
**7 For God has not
given us a spirit of
fear, but of power
and of love and of a
sound mind.**

- Trusting in God's grace, mercy and peace - even in the midst of extreme trials. (1:2)
- Staying true to the scriptures and not sub-coming to the pressures of those around us (1:3)
- Concern and support for those who contend for the faith (1:4)
- Genuine faith is gained from God's word (1:5; 2 Tim 3:15)
- Fulfilling our duties to God (1:6)
- Faith extinguishes fear (1:7)

2 Timothy 1:8–12 (NKJV)

⁸ Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner, but share with me in the sufferings for the gospel according to the power of God, ⁹ who has saved us and called *us* with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began, ¹⁰ but has now been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, *who* has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, ¹¹ to which I was appointed a preacher, an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles. ¹² For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day.

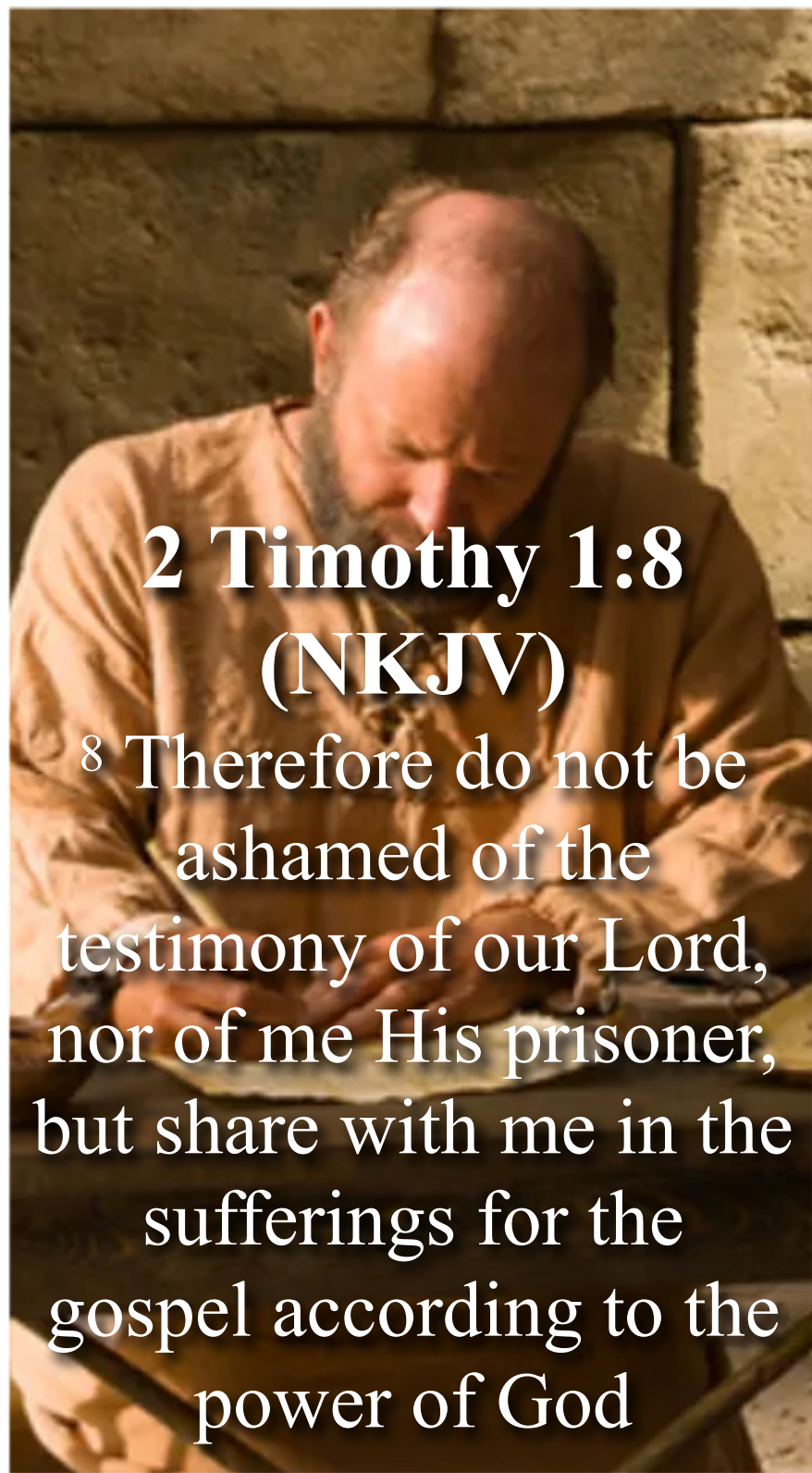
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- Note the contrast between some who were ashamed (Phygellus and Hermogenes) and one who was not (Onesiphorus). (1:15,16)
- “The testimony of our Lord”** refers to the gospel message itself. Timothy was not to be ashamed of proclaiming it, even though it brought a social stigma upon those who did (cf. Rom. 1:16; 1 Cor. 1:23-29).
- “Nor of me His prisoner”** — Paul was a prisoner for the Lord’s sake and was not ashamed, nor was Onesiphorus who visited him (2Ti 1:12,16-18; (cf. Eph. 4:1; Phil. 1:13; Phile. 9)

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- “But share with me in the sufferings for the gospel” — Instead of being ashamed, Paul encouraged Timothy to suffer with him for the gospel’s sake (cf. Col. 1:24; Acts 5:41; 2 Tim. 2:3).
- “According to the power of God” — The word power (*dunameōs*) in our text refers to God’s gracious provisions by which He sustains us in our time of need (2 Cor. 12:9; cf. also Phil. 4:13).
- If our attitude be the same as Paul’s, God’s provisions will sustain us, even in the midst of severe suffering (Jam. 1:2-7; 1 Pet. 1:5-9)

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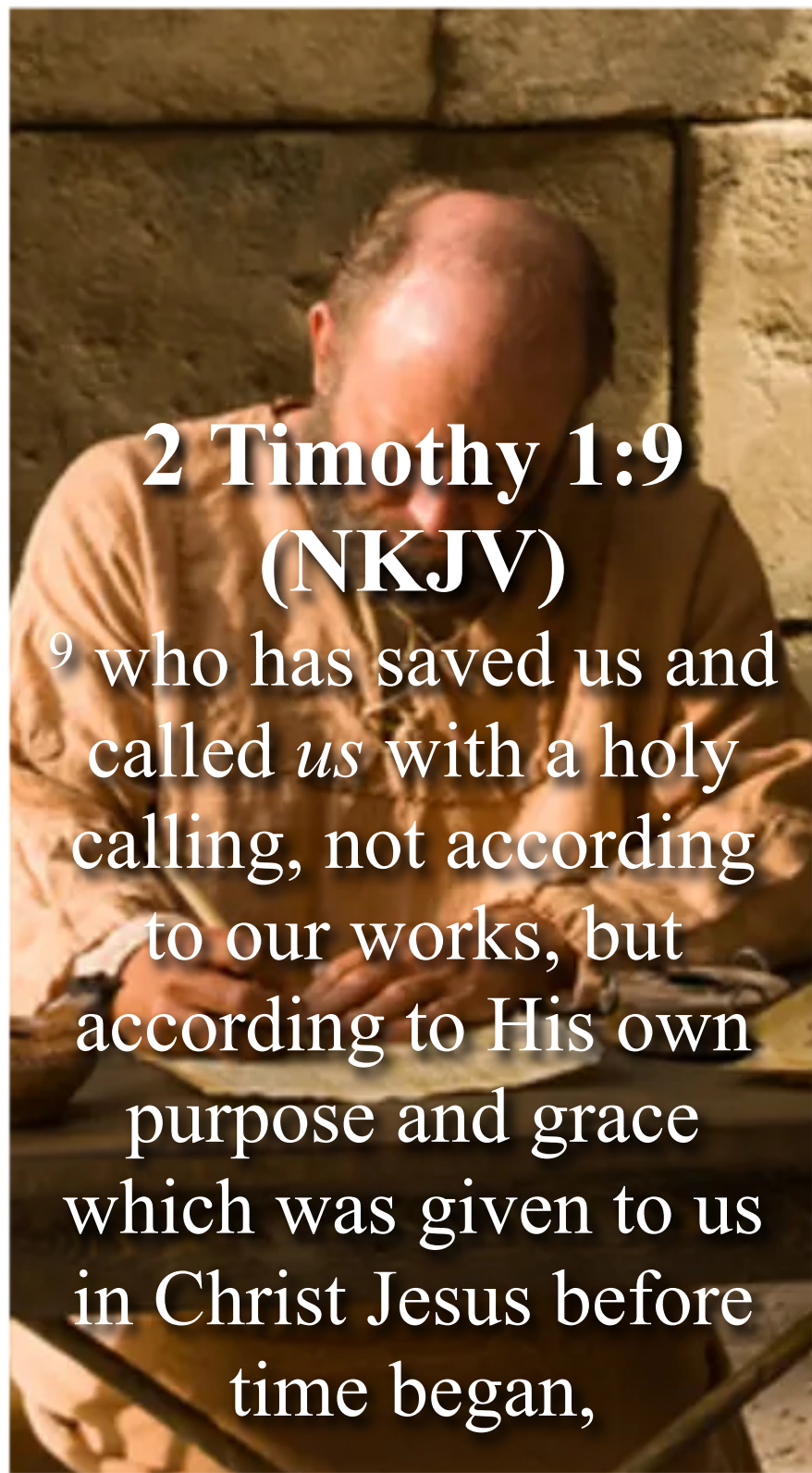
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REMEMBER GOD'S PROVISION OF SALVATION

- “**who has saved us**” — The one Who has saved us is able to sustain us (cf. 1 Pet. 1:5; 5:5-11; Rom. 8:17,18, 31-39).
- “**and called us with a holy calling**” — Christians are called by the gospel which is God's power to save (2 Thess. 2:14; Rom. 1:16).
- “**not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace**” The provision and means of salvation are NOT deserved and CANNOT be earned (Titus 3:4-5; Eph. 2:8,9; Rom. 5:8-10; Luke 17:10)

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“which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began” — The provision and means of salvation were purposed and planned before the world was (Rom. 16:25; Eph. 1:4; Titus 1:2)

- ▶ God's love, mercy and grace made the provision which He purposed possible (John 3:16; Eph. 2:8,9; Rom. 5:8,9; Titus 2:11-14)
- ▶ By faith we receive the provision of salvation God has made possible (Eph. 2:8,9; Heb. 11:6; James 2:14-26; Mark 16:16; Titus 2:11-14)

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- ◆ **Noah** saved by grace through faith – Gen. 6:8; Heb 11:7
- ◆ **Naaman** healed by grace through faith – 2 Kings 5:1-19; Lk 4:27
- ◆ **Walls of Jericho** fell by grace through faith – Joshua 6:2,15,16,20; Heb 11:30
- ◆ **The FAITH that obeys does not nullify God's grace - but receives it!!**

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SAME PRINCIPLE IN EVERY AGE ...

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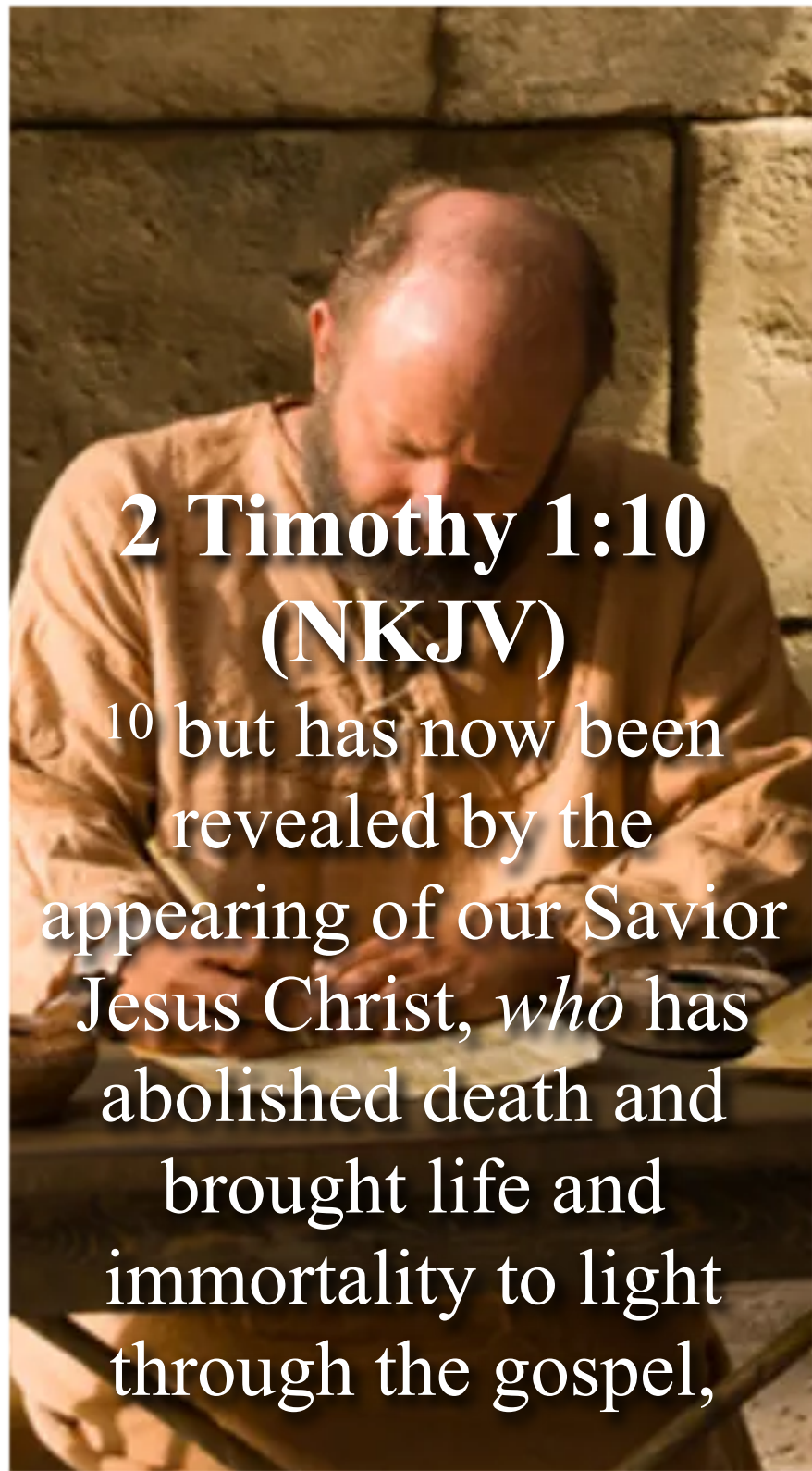
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ABRAHAM – Gen 12:4; 15:6; 17:10,23; 22:3,16-18

ISRAEL – Ex. 12:13; 14:30; Dt 30:15-19; Jos 6; 1 Cor 10:1-13

US – Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 8:12,37; Rom 6:3-6; 10:9-13; Gal.
3:26,27; Col. 2:11-13; 1 Pet 3:21; 1 Jn 1:9

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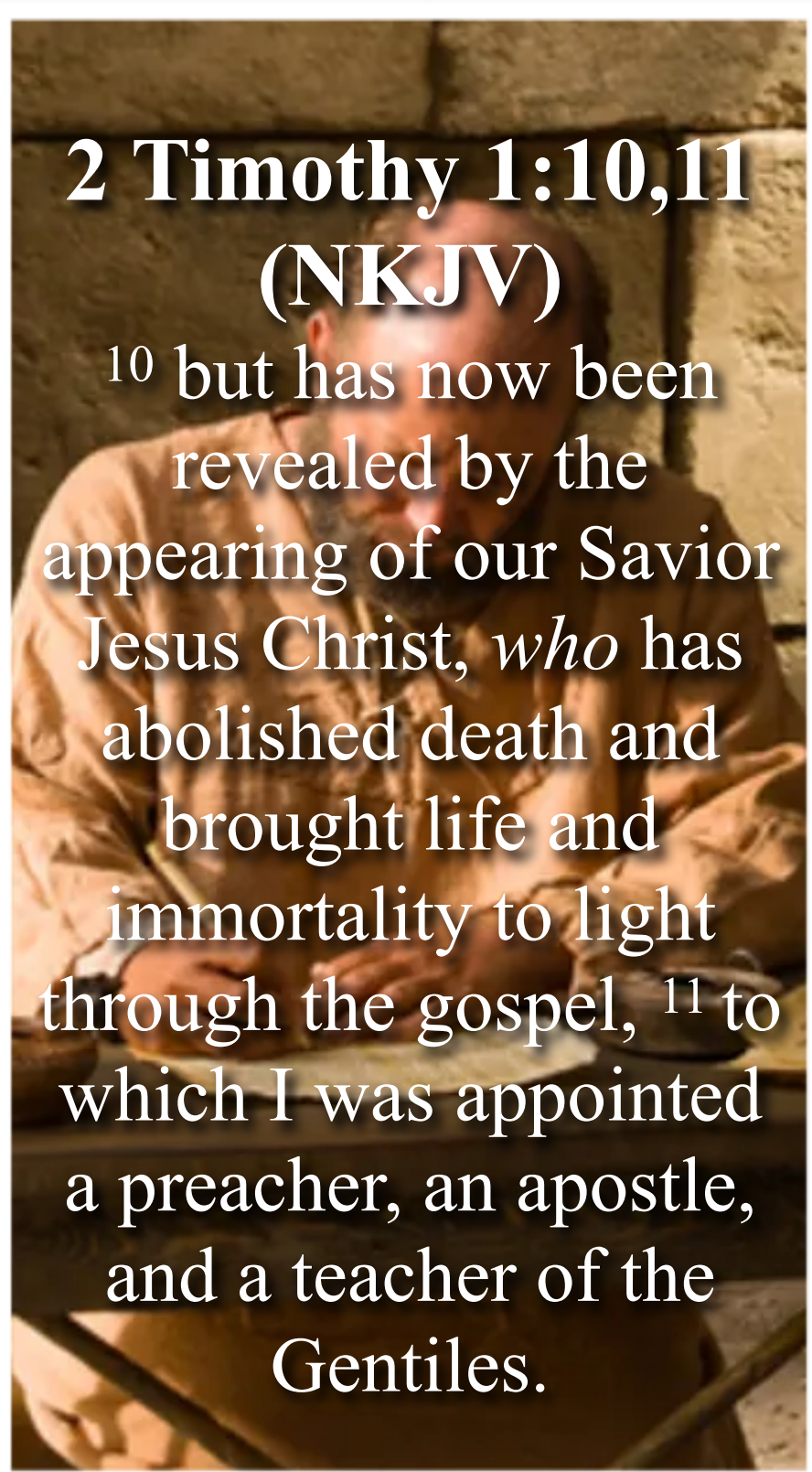
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GOD'S PROVISION OF SALVATION HAS BEEN REVEALED

- “**but has now been revealed**” — The gospel is often referred to as a mystery for the very reason that it was not fully revealed in the past but was fully revealed by the apostles of Christ (Eph. 1:9; 3:3-5; Col. 1:26; Rom. 16:25).
- “**by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ**” — Refers to the whole of His life on earth, (incarnation, ministry, death, burial, & resurrection) (cf. Titus 3:4)
- “**who has abolished death**” — Our Lord took away the terror of death enabling us to face it with composure and hope (Jn. 11:25,26; 1 Co. 15:54,55; He. 2:14, 15)

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- “and brought life and immortality to light” — Our Lord entered the hadean realm, conquered its foes, and arose in triumph. He thereby gave assurance of life beyond the grave (1 Co. 15:53; 2 Co. 5:4; 1 Jno. 1:2).
- “through the gospel” — The gospel dispels any doubt and makes certain immortality for both soul and body (cf. 1 Cor. 15:1-11, 17,18, 20-23, 52, 53).
- “to which I was appointed a preacher, an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles” — Jesus commissioned Paul (Acts 9:15; Rom. 1:5; 11:13; Gal. 2:7, 8)

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¹² For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day.

■ PAUL WAS NOT ASHAMED

✦ **“For this reason I also suffer these things”** — Paul suffered because he proclaimed the gospel of Christ (ch. 2:9; 3:10–12; 4:16, 17; Acts 9:16; 13:46, 50; 14:5, 6; 21:27–31; 22:21–24; Ep. 3:1–8).

✦ **“for I know whom I have believed”** —

- ▶ Paul had knowledge of the true person and identity of Jesus Christ which gave Paul courage to suffer any price (cf. Phi. 3:8-10)
- ▶ Such confidence fortifies one against all foes and enables him to face the hereafter with calm serenity, hope, and courage (2 Cor. 4:7-5:7)

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■ **“and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him”** — Paul is convinced or persuaded of God’s infinite power or ability to guard that which he has deposited with him (2 Tim 4:6-8; 1 Cor. 9:17; Heb. 10:35; 1 Pe. 4:19)

■ **“until that Day”** — The day of judgment. When Paul obeyed the gospel, he committed his whole life unto God, which involved trusting him for salvation, his providential care, and the fulfilling of all the “exceeding great and precious promises” (2 Pet. 1:4), and ultimately the eternal life crown in that day (2 Tim. 4:8).

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(Rom. 1:16)**

**Are we as
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should be?**

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**“What Genuine Faith
Looks Like”**

(2 Timothy 1:1-7)

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