

FIVE FAITHFUL FACTS--3
***“The Faithful Fact that God Sanctions
Suffering for our Growth”***

2 Timothy 2:11-13

Introduction. So far in our series, we have discovered the following:

1. **First, God Saves Sinners by His _____ [1 Timothy 1:15].**
2. **Secondly, God Separates Saints for their _____ and His _____.**

In this message, Paul give Timothy three good reason why he should keep going during times of adversity:

- I. **FIRST, NOTICE WHY OUR PRESENT _____ WITH JESUS SHOULD KEEP US GOING [2 Timothy 2:11].**

In considering this relationship, Paul mentions the length of it:

- A. First, the length of our relationship with Jesus goes back to the _____ [2:11a]. ***“For if we be dead with him . . .”***
- B. Secondly, the length of our relationship with Jesus goes forward to the _____ [2:11b] ***“ . . . we shall also live with him,”***

- II. **SECONDLY, NOTE HOW THE FUTURE _____ WITH THE LORD JESUS**

SHOULD KEEP US GOING [2 Timothy 12a]. *“If we suffer, we shall also reign with him.”*

- A. First, he gives an _____ about this reign. ***“If . . .”***
- B. Secondly, he gives an _____ about this reign. [3:12a] ***“ . . . we shall also reign with him.”***

III. THIRDLY, CONSIDER WHAT A SOLID _____ FROM JESUS SHOULD KEEP US GOING [2 Timothy 2:12b-13].

- A. First, there is a fearful response to those who _____ Him [2:12b]. ***“ . . . if we deny him, he also will deny us.”***
- B. Secondly, there is a faithful response to those who _____ Him [2:13]. ***“If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful, he cannot deny himself.”***