



BOOK OF II TIMOTHY

WEEK 4- DAY 5

II TIMOTHY 4: 12-18

NEW LIVING TRANSLATION (NLT)

12 I sent Tychicus to Ephesus. **13** When you come, be sure to bring the coat I left with Carpus at Troas. Also bring my books, and especially my papers.

14 Alexander the coppersmith did me much harm, but the Lord will judge him for what he has done. **15** Be careful of him, for he fought against everything we said.

16 The first time I was brought before the judge, no one came with me. Everyone abandoned me. May it not be counted against them. **17** But the Lord stood with me and gave me strength so that I might preach the Good News in its entirety for all the Gentiles to hear. And he rescued me from certain death.^[b] **18** Yes, and the Lord will deliver me from every evil attack and will bring me safely into his heavenly Kingdom. All glory to God forever and ever! Amen.

DAY 5 REFLECTION QUESTIONS FOR VERSES 12-18

1. What can we learn from the personal sentiments and requests in letters like this (vs. 12-13)? How does this give historical relevance to the letter?
2. What can we learn from Paul's words about Alexander the coppersmith (vs. 14-16)? Will we encounter people who do harm to our cause?
3. "All deserted me" is a solemn statement from the aged apostle (vs. 16). When we are all alone, who stands by us to strengthen us (vs. 17)? How can our hardships still help our message to be heard (vs. 17-18)?