# A Father's Farewell

2 nd Timothy

# Finishing Well

For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time has come for my departure. <sup>7</sup> I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. 8 Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

## Paul's Present Circumstances

### Poured Out Like A Drink Offering

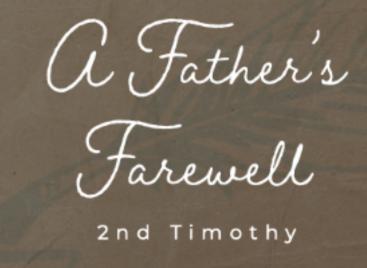
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## Poured Out Like A Drink Offering

But even if I am being poured out like a drink offering on the sacrifice and service coming from your faith, I am glad and rejoice with all of you.

Philippians 2:17



## I am About To Depart This Life

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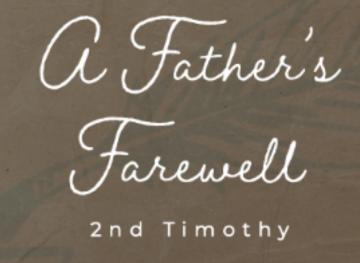


- Not by gain our life is measured,
- But by what we've lost 'tis scored;
- 'Tis not how much wine is drunken,
- But how much has been outpoured.
- For the strength of love e'er standeth
- In the sacrifice we bear;
- He who has the greatest suffering
- Ever has the most to share. Watchman Nee, Hymn 635

## Paul's Past Life and Ministry

### A Three-Fold Metaphor

I have fought the good fight,
I have finished the race,
I have kept the faith.

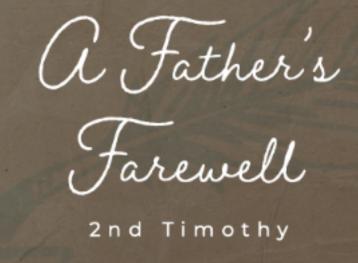


## I Have the Good Fight/Contest In the Good Contest

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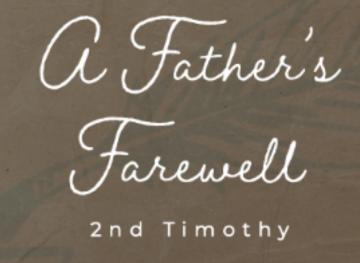


#### Have Finished the Race

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#### Paul's Desire - Finish the Race!

However, I consider my life worth nothing to me, if only I may finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me — the task of testifying to the gospel of God's grace.

Acts 20:24

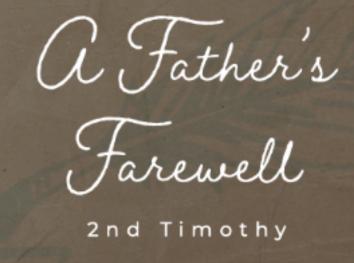


## Have Kept the Faith

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## Paul's Future Reward

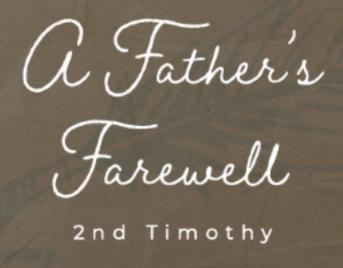
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## Rewarded By Jesus

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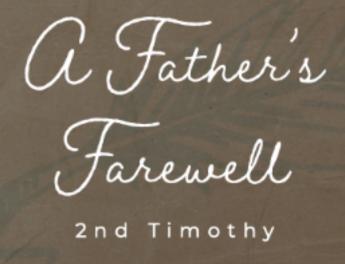
## Rewarded On the Day of Christ's Return

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### The Inheritance of All Believers

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And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that will never fade away.

1 Peter 5:4

Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him.

James 1:12

But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup> who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body. (Philippians 3:20–21)

Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when he appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. (1 John 3:2)

Applying the Word

