



# Daily Reflections

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## Scripture

### **2 Timothy 4: 1-8**

Beloved:

I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus,  
who will judge the living and the dead,  
and by his appearing and his kingly power:  
proclaim the word;  
be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient;  
convince, reprimand, encourage through all patience and teaching.  
For the time will come when people will not tolerate sound doctrine  
but, following their own desires and insatiable curiosity,  
will accumulate teachers and will stop listening to the truth  
and will be diverted to myths.

But you, be self-possessed in all circumstances;  
put up with hardship;  
perform the work of an evangelist;  
fulfill your ministry.

For I am already being poured out like a libation,  
and the time of my departure is at hand.

I have competed well;

I have finished the race; I have kept the faith.

From now on the crown of righteousness awaits me,  
which the Lord, the just judge,  
will award to me on that day, and not only to me,  
but to all who have longed for his appearance.

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## **Our Scripture Reflection**

History does repeat itself. We live in a day and time when the search for Truth has been replaced by settling for mere human opinion. But Paul teaches us that we must always seek Jesus, Who was, Who is and Who always will be The Way, The Truth and The Life. Never settle for less.

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## **Food for your Journey**

Augustine is perhaps the most famous example of an unbeliever who found faith through direct interaction with Scripture. Sitting in a garden one afternoon, he heard the voice of a child on the other side of the wall say, "take up and read." One author notes that as Augustine picked up the book of Romans: "Instantly, as if before a peaceful light streaming into his heart, dark shadows of doubt fled. The man of unconquerable will was conquered by words from a book he had once dismissed as a mere fable."

—"Loving God's Word,"

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## **A Prayer from the Heart**

Gracious Father, So many people are distracted and confused by the many voices in our world that claim to be the truth. Many have been misled because of this. Make me humble, Lord. May I always seek Your Truth as spoken by Your only Son, Jesus. Amen