2 Tim. 4:9-22

Why does Paul want to see Timothy soon?

What does Demas’ departure tell us about apostates? (Col. 4:14; Philemon 1:24)

What does it mean to “love this present world”? (Lk. 8:13-15; John 15:18-19; Rom. 12:2; 1 Tim. 6:10; James 4:4; 1 Jn. 2:15-17)

What does Paul’s instruction to bring Mark, “for he is useful to me” teach us? (Acts 12:25; Acts 13:13; Acts 15:36-40)

Note the close relationship between Paul and Luke. What are the ramifications of this for the unity of the New Testament?

What does Paul’s request for a cloak and books and parchments tell us?

Paul does not seem to hesitate to “drop names” when calling out wicked people (1 Tim. 1:18-20; 2 Tim. 2:16-18) Why does he do this?

Why are many reluctant to do it today?

Paul suffered great harm at the hands of Alexander. How is his response an example for us? (Rom. 12:19; Prov. 24:29; Matt. 16:27)
How did Paul share in the fellowship of Christ’s sufferings in what he mentions in v. 16? (Matt. 26:55-56)

How can Paul forgive those who deserted him? What is the “secret” of forgiveness? (Luke 23:34; Acts 7:59-60; Eph. 4:32; Matt. 18:21-35)

What do you think is the hardest part about being utterly alone, like Paul was?

v. 17 -- How is the Lord’s strength magnified under such circumstances?

What does Paul mean in v. 18 that he will be rescued from every evil deed and brought safely to God’s heavenly kingdom? Didn’t he know he would be martyred?

Why did Paul leave Erastus sick at Miletus if he had the gift of healing? (Phil. 2:25-27; 1 Cor. 12:7-11)

What can we learn about the body of Christ from the list of names Paul mentions in his letter? (see also Rom. 16:1-15, 21-23)