

Sermon Title: **“A SOLDIER, AN ATHLETE, & A FARMER”**

II Timothy 2:1-7

- Big Take Aways From Last Week:
 1. Paul as a father figure (a mentor) _____ in Timothy
 2. Sometimes _____ Christ comes at a _____
 - _____ is sometimes the _____ used to produce _____ & _____ in us
- Jesus is the _____ of ALL of our _____!
 - True strength comes from _____ in the undeserved, unmerited favor of God (the reality of _____ should give us confidence & boldness)
 - Each of us need to _____ that in our own lives & then _____ that truth on to those we pour into (our Timothy’s)
- I. A _____
 - “Suffer hardships with me” = literally means – take _____ in _____
 - Good soldiers DON’T give up simply because a task is _____
 - Paul’s instructing Timothy to be a _____ _____:
 - One who _____ (listens to the King)
 - One who _____ (maybe good or bad things)
 - One who _____ for the _____ (the Gospel)
- II. An _____
 - NO athlete in a _____ gets to make up their own _____
 - We need to lay down _____ that might weigh us down
 - We need to run with _____ (focusing on Jesus Christ)
- III. A _____
 - Before the sun goes up farmers are _____ & long after the sun goes down farmers are still _____ (each task is hard _____)
 - Everything starts & ends with the _____ of _____ (without that we labor in vain)