#### "Your Christian Testimony"

2 Timothy 1:12

Introduction: Six-flags - flashback

Text: Paul's Testimony - Note the depth of it!

- 1. Always ready to share gospel
- 2. Grew with him
- 3. Tested many times

\*You must share your Christian Testimony

- 1. The ring of reality
- 2. Strength of assurance
- 3. Confidence beyond criticism

## I. Your Christian Testimony is based on a PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH CHRIST.

- I (I Him) Personal relationship
- 2. He knows Christ Christ knows him
- 3. This is the heart of the Christian experience United in a bond & birth
- Relationship is intensely personal involves trust, love, communion, responsibility, devotion.
  - ILL. Woman at the well John 4:29

### II. Your Christian Testimony is an AFFIRMATION OF CERTAINTY

#### I KNOW HIM I KNOW HIM I KNOW HIM

- I. The certainty grows out of experience.

  ILL. The Blind Man "I was Blind, now I see!"
- 2. This certainty is confirmed by scripture

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Conclusion: Galatians 2:20

John 10:27-30: The promise of Christ "I know my sheep..."

"My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. I and the Father are one."

Romans 8:14: The Promise of the Spirit leading the sons of God. "Because those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God."

Romans 8:38-39: The promise of the power of God in the future.

"For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

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# III. Your Christian testimony is a DECLARATION OF SECURITY. He is able to guard – to keep – until that day.

- There is no reason to be afraid.

  ILL Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego fiery furnace

  UNLIMITED POWER OF CHRIST
- There is every reason to commit all to Christ.
   Eternal destiny our weaknesses our personality
   ILL Gadarean Demoniac

Conclusion: "You shall be my witnesses"

"While you are going" make disciples – by baptizing them – by teaching them to observe all I have taught you.

Mark 16:15-16: "He said to them 'Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned."

Acts 1:8: "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

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