

¹Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.²And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.³Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.⁴No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.⁵And if a man also strive for masteries, yet is he not crowned, except he strive lawfully.⁶The husbandman that laboureth must be first partaker of the fruits.⁷Consider what I say; and the Lord give thee understanding in all things.⁸Remember that Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead according to my gospel.⁹Wherein I suffer trouble, as an evil doer, even unto bonds; but the word of God is not bound.¹⁰Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.¹¹It is a faithful saying: For if we be dead with him, we shall also live with him:¹²If we suffer, we shall also reign with him: if we deny him, he also will deny us:¹³If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself.¹⁴Of these things put them in remembrance, charging them before the Lord that they strive not about words to no profit, but to the subverting of the hearers.¹⁵Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.¹⁶But shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness.¹⁷And

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¹قَفِّقُوا أَنْتَ، يَا ابْنِي، بِالنِّعْمَةِ الَّتِي فِي الْمَسِيحِ يَسُوعَ،²وَمَا سَمِعْتَهُ مِنِّي يَشْهَدُونَ كَثِيرِينَ أَوْدَعُهُ أَتَسَاءَ أَمَتَاءَ يَكُونُونَ أَكْفَاءَ أَنْ يُعَلِّمُوا آخَرِينَ أَيْضًا.³قَاسِطِرِكَ أَنْتَ فِي اخْتِمَالِ الْمَسَقَّاتِ كَجُنْدِيٍّ صَالِحٍ لِيَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ.⁴لَيْسَ أَحَدٌ وَهُوَ يَتَجَدَّدُ بِزَيْتِكَ بِأَعْمَالِ الْحَيَاةِ لِكَيْ يُرْضِيَ مَنْ جَنَّدَهُ.⁵وَأَيْضًا إِنْ كَانَ أَحَدٌ يُجَاهِدُ لَا يَكُلُّ إِنْ لَمْ يُجَاهِدْ قَانُونِيًّا. يَجِبُ أَنْ الْحَرَاثُ الَّذِي يَتَعَبُ بِسِطْرِكَ هُوَ أَوَّلًا فِي الْأَنْمَارِ.⁷أَفْهَمَ مَا أَقُولُ، فَلْيُعْطِكَ الرَّبُّ قَهْمًا فِي كُلِّ شَيْءٍ.⁸أَذْكُرُ يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحَ الْمُقَامَ مِنَ الْأَمْوَاتِ، مِنْ تَسْلٍ دَاوُدَ، بِحَسَبِ إِنْجِيلِي،⁹الَّذِي فِيهِ اخْتِمِلُ الْمَسَقَّاتِ حَتَّى الْفُيُودَ كَمُذِيبٍ، لَكِنَّ كَلِمَةَ اللَّهِ لَا تُقَبِّدُ.¹⁰لَأَجْلِ ذَلِكَ أَنَا أَصِيرُ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ لِأَجْلِ الْمُخْتَارِينَ، لِكَيْ يَخْضُلُوا هُمْ أَيْضًا عَلَى الْخَلَاصِ الَّذِي فِي الْمَسِيحِ يَسُوعَ مَعَ مَجْدٍ أَبَدِيٍّ.¹¹صَادِقَةٌ هِيَ الْكَلِمَةُ: أَنَّهُ إِنْ كُنَّا قَدْ مِتْنَا مَعَهُ فَسَنَحْيَا أَيْضًا مَعَهُ.¹²إِنْ كُنَّا نَصِيرُ قَسَمَتُكَ أَيْضًا مَعَهُ، إِنْ كُنَّا نُنْكِرُهُ فَهُوَ أَيْضًا سَيُنْكِرُنَا،¹³إِنْ كُنَّا غَيْرَ أَمَتَاءَ فَهُوَ يَنْقَى أَمِينًا، لَنْ يَقْدِرَ أَنْ يُنْكِرَ تَفْسَهُ.

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¹⁴فَكَرِّ بِهَذِهِ الْأُمُورِ مُتَأَشِدًّا قُدَّامَ الرَّبِّ أَنْ لَا يَتَمَاحَكُوا بِالْكَلَامِ، الْأَمْرُ غَيْرُ النَّافِعِ لِشَيْءٍ، لِهَذَا السَّامِعِينَ.¹⁵اجْتَهِدْ أَنْ تُقِيمَ تَفْسَكَ لِلَّهِ مُرَكَّبًا، غَامِلًا لَا يُخْزِي، مُفَضَّلًا كَلِمَةَ الْحَقِّ بِالِاسْتِقَامَةِ.¹⁶وَأَمَّا الْأَقْوَالُ الْبَاطِلَةُ الدِّينَسَةُ فَاجْتَنِبْهَا، لِأَنَّهُمْ يَتَقَدَّمُونَ إِلَى أَكْثَرِ فُجُورٍ، وَكَلِمَتُهُمْ تَرَعَى كَالِكَلَةِ، الَّذِينَ مِنْهُمْ هِيْمَبِتَائِسُ وَفِيلِيُسُسُ،¹⁸الَّذَانِ رَاعَا عَنْ الْحَقِّ، قَائِلِينَ: إِنَّ الْقِيَامَةَ قَدْ صَارَتْ، فَيَقْلِبَانِ إِيمَانَ قَوْمٍ.¹⁹وَلَكِنَّ أَسَاسَ اللَّهِ الرَّاسِخَ قَدْ ثَبَتَ إِذْ لَهُ هَذَا الْحَنْمُ، يَعْلَمُ الرَّبُّ الَّذِينَ هُمْ لَهُ، وَلَيَجْتَنِبِ الْإِنَّمُ كُلُّ مَنْ يُسَمِّي اسْمَ الْمَسِيحِ.²⁰وَلَكِنْ فِي بَيْتٍ كَبِيرٍ لَيْسَ آيَةٌ مِنْ ذَهَبٍ وَفَضَّةٍ قَطُّ بَلْ مِنْ حَسَبٍ وَخَرْفٍ أَيْضًا، وَتِلْكَ لِلْكَرَامَةِ وَهَذِهِ لِلْهَوَانِ.²¹فَإِنْ طَهَّرَ أَحَدٌ تَفْسَهُ مِنْ هَذِهِ يَكُونُ إِنَاءً لِلْكَرَامَةِ، مُقَدَّسًا، نَافِعًا لِلسَّيِّدِ، مُسْتَعَدًّا لِكُلِّ عَمَلٍ صَالِحٍ.

²²أَمَّا الشَّهَوَاتُ السَّيَّابِيَّةُ فَاهْرُبْ مِنْهَا وَاتَّبِعِ الْبِرَّ وَالْإِيمَانَ وَالْمَحَبَّةَ وَالسَّلَامَ مَعَ الَّذِينَ يَدْعُونَ الرَّبَّ مِنْ قَلْبٍ نَقِيٍّ.²³وَالْمُبَاحَثَاتُ الْعَبِيَّةُ وَالسَّخِيفَةُ اجْتَنِبْهَا غَالِمًا أَنَّهَا تُؤَلِّدُ حُضُومَاتٍ.²⁴وَعَبْدُ الرَّبِّ لَا يَجِبُ أَنْ يُخَاصِمَ بَلْ

their word will eat as doth a canker: of whom is Hymenaeus and Philetus;¹⁸ Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already; and overthrow the faith of some.¹⁹ Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.²⁰ But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour.²¹ If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.²² Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.²³ But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes.²⁴ And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient,²⁵ In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth;²⁶ And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

يَكُونُ مُتَرَفِّقًا بِالْجَمِيعِ، صَالِحًا لِلتَّعْلِيمِ، صَبُورًا عَلَى
الْمَسْئَلَاتِ،²⁵ مُؤَدِّبًا بِالْوَدَاعَةِ الْمُقَاوِمِينَ، عَسَى أَنْ
يُعْطِيَهُمُ اللَّهُ تَوْبَةً لِمَعْرِفَةِ الْحَقِّ،²⁶ فَيَسْتَفِيدُوا مِنْ فَحْشِ
إِبْلِيسَ إِذْ قَدْ افْتَسَحَهُمْ لِإِرَادَتِهِ.