

Eternal Life Part 2

2 Timothy 2: ¹You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.

²And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to **reliable** men who will also be **qualified to teach** others. ³Endure hardship with us like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. ⁴No one serving as a soldier gets involved in civilian affairs—he wants to please his commanding officer.

⁵Similarly, if anyone competes as an athlete, **he DOES NOT receive the victor's crown UNLESS he competes according to the rules**.

⁶The hardworking farmer should be the first to receive a share of the crops.

⁷Reflect on what I am saying, for **the Lord** will give you insight into all this.

⁸Remember Jesus Christ, (*Christ-The Messiah*) raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, ⁹for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained. ¹⁰Therefore I endure everything for the sake **of the elect**, that they too (*who? the elect*) **MAY** obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. ¹¹Here is a trustworthy saying: If we died with him, we will also live with him;

¹²**IF** we endure, we will also reign with him. **IF** we disown him, he will also disown us; ¹³**IF** we are faithless, he will remain faithful, for he cannot disown himself.

¹⁴Keep reminding them of these things. Warn them before God against quarreling about words; it is of no value, and only ruins those who listen.

2 Timothy 3: ¹But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days.

²People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy,³without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, ⁴treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God—

⁵**having a form of godliness** (*context look who God is talking about here, despite doing all this stuff they will look and sound the religious part*) but denying its power. **HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH THEM.**

2 Timothy 2: ¹⁵Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

¹⁶Avoid (*have nothing to do with it*) godless chatter, because those who indulge in it will become more and more ungodly. ¹⁷Their teaching will spread like gangrene. Among them are Hymenaeus and Philetus, ¹⁸who have wandered away from the truth. They say that the resurrection has already taken place, and they destroy the faith of some. !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

¹⁹Nevertheless, God's solid foundation stands firm, sealed with this inscription: "The Lord knows those who are his," and, "Everyone who confesses the name of the Lord must turn away from wickedness."

1 Corinthians 15: ²³But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, **those who belong to him.**

²⁰In a large house there are articles not only of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay; some are for noble purposes and some for ignoble. ²¹**IF** a man cleanses himself from the latter, he will be an instrument for noble purposes, made holy, useful to the Master and prepared to do any good work. ²²Flee the evil desires of youth, and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart. ²³**Don't have anything to do** with foolish and stupid arguments, because you know they produce quarrels.

²⁴And the Lord's servant must not quarrel; instead, he must be kind to everyone, able to teach, not resentful.

²⁵Those who oppose him he must gently instruct, **in the hope that God will grant them repentance leading them to a knowledge of the truth,**

²⁶and that they will come to their senses and escape from the trap of the devil, who has taken them captive to do his will.

Revelation 20: ²He seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil, or Satan, and bound him for a thousand years.

⁷When the thousand years are over, Satan will be released from his prison

Verse 5 says: " he must be set free **for a short time.**" I have given up trying to figure out what a "short time" is with an "eternal God"

⁸and will go out to deceive the nations in the four corners of the earth—Gog and Magog—to gather them for battle. In number they are like the sand on the seashore.

Meaning of eternal is: being without beginning or end; existing outside of time.

Genesis 21: ³³ Abraham planted a tamarisk tree in Beersheba, and there he called upon the name of the LORD, **the Eternal God.**

John 11: ¹⁷On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. ¹⁸Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem,

¹⁹and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. ²⁰When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home. ²¹"Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not **have died.**" ²²But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask." ²³Jesus said to her, "Your brother will (*future tense*) rise again."

²⁴Martha answered, "I know he will (*future tense*) rise again **in the resurrection at the last day.**"

²⁵Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. **He who believes in me will (future tense) live, even though he dies;**

²⁶and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

Greek text: ²⁶ **"and whoever lives and believes in me will never die in the age (aiona) to come".**

The only place aiona is translated "never die" is right here in this verse.

"Never die" is aiona = a period of time, and age

John 11:(Young's Literal Translation) ²⁶and every one who is living and believing in me shall not die -- to the age (*aiona*);

Dualism of Eternal life.

Pastor S .S. Craig in 1916

"The Latin Vulgate translated the Greek adjective **aiwnion** to the Latin **aeternus** in which we get the English word eternal and eternity.

The KJV translators instead of going back to the original Greek and translating the Greek adjective **aijwvniwn**, went to the Latin Vulgate and translated the Latin **aeternus**. This is why the world eternal has been misunderstood by the English reader. If they would have gone to the Greek they for sure would have translated it as many translators such as Rotterdam and Young, namely, age lasting or life for the age (**eis ton aiwnion**).

It is equally a fact that the theology of the West was not that of the Greek Church but that of Roman Catholicism. It was Latin theology. And just as it is beyond doubt that the revisers, translators, and lexicographers, were chiefly influenced by the Latin language and Latin translations. It is admitted that the theology of Calvin was derived from Saint Augustine, modernized and extended.

"It was absolutely essential to Augustinian theology with its blighting emphasis on **the doctrine of predestinarianism** to mistranslate the Greek adjective **aiwnion**, and put on it a meaning which the Greek will not for a moment allow in its respective applications to salvation and judgment.

And that was essential to Augustinian theology was equally essential to Latin Christianity from the days of Augustine to those of Calvin and Luther. And the same exists in the Reformed Theology from then till the present.

To say nothing of other words, the Calvinist simply cannot, dare not, face an honest and truthful interpretation of the two frequently occurring words with which we are now dealing with, namely "eternal

life." _