**Guard the good deposit – 2 Timothy 1:8-18**

Associated with the losing side?

**1. Don’t be ashamed of the gospel (v.8, 13-14)**

The main plea (v.8, 12, 16)

Why is Paul in his situation?

The very nature of the gospel itself

Sticking with the message and the messenger (cf. 1 Cor 1:18, 25)

What does not being ashamed involve?

a) Join with me in suffering (v.8b)

b) Guard the good deposit (v.14)

The temptation to change its message

Sound teaching = “healthy words”

The false dichotomy

**2. Do have confidence in the gospel (v.9-12, 15-18)**

Why is Paul rehearsing the gospel for Timothy? So that…

i. the timing

ii. the means

iii. the effect

The power of God

Two contrasting examples

Who do we identify with?