

HOW DO YOU SAY GOODBYE?

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I have reminisced in my mind over these years how do you prepare a Farewell Address? Well this is the second time around for me.

I thought about Moses – Deut. 33:1-29

He got to appoint or anoint his successor Num. 27:15-23

He also spoke as a man about to die not move.

Wrote and sang a song Deut. 32

He Blessed and prophesied over each Family (tribe) Deut. 33

I thought about Joshua – Joh. 1:6-9

He charged the people before his departure Josh. 23:6-8;

He gathered them again in chapter 24 and reviewed their History, works and commandments of God 24:14,15

He gives strong warning not to apostatize

They make a covenant with God vs. 15, 25-27

I thought about Elijah -- I Kings 17-19

Call of Elisha I Kings 19:16-21

Elijah passes the mantle to Elisha II Kings 2:9-14

I Thought about Paul -- Acts 20

He gathered the local pastors – he warned them of coming problems vs.25-31

God's people are always only one generation from apostacy and extinction.

2. He commends them to God vs. 32-36

Finally, God gave a Farewell Challenge for you in Paul's charge to young pastor Timothy -- I Tim. 4:11-16

You are an example, but what kind of an example v.12

You must continue Daily in the Word of God v.13

You must develop and use your Spiritual Gifts v.14

You must live out the daily intake of the Word of God v.15

You must continue true to the truth v.16

Last Thoughts

Pray, Pray, Pray! – Phil. 4:6

Give to Missions. God has blessed here in proportion to our Missions giving and budget

Share the Gospel with others Acts 1:8; I Cor. 15:58