

CHAPTER 3.

¹ He foretelleth the wickedness of the last days,
⁶ and describeth the enemies of the truth.

THIS know also, that ^a in the last days perilous times shall come.

² For men shall be lovers of their own selves, ^c covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

³ Without natural affection, trucebreakers, ⁴ false accusers, ^e incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,

⁴ Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God ;

¹⁰ But ⁷ thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, ⁸ purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience,

¹¹ Persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me at ^a Antioch, at Iconium, at ^b Lystra ; what persecutions I endured : but ^a out of *them* all the Lord delivered me.

¹² Yea, and ^d all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

¹³ But evil men and seducers

shall ^a wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.

¹⁴ But ^b continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned *them* ;

¹⁵ And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, ^c which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

¹⁶ ^h All scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and ^b *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness :

¹⁷ That ⁿ the man of God may be perfect, ² throughly furnished unto all good works.

CHAPTER 4.

¹ His solemn charge to Timothy. ⁶ The nearness of his death. ⁹ Directions to Timothy.

I CHARGE *thee* therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, ⁹ who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom ;

² Preach the word ; be instant in season, out of season ; reprove, ³ rebuke, ⁴ exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

³ For the time will come when they will not endure ^u sound doctrine ; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears ;

⁴ And they shall turn away *their* ears from the truth, and ^a shall be turned unto fables.