

# S.O.H.L.

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## WEEKLY MINISTRY MEDITATIONS

*Pronounced "Soul"*

# Depend On God!

In this spiritual walk, we will always run into opposition. And the opposition takes place because one is not of the same Word, same Spirit and the same plan as the Lord. We have been called into one in unity, but again, you will find opposition!

Paul was instructed by Christ to tell the Good News of the gospel. Paul was very educated. He gathered many followers to help him in his ministry, but just like today, many will not submit to instructions given unto them because they have other motives. They want recognition. Although you have been given instructions to do what thus says the Lord, you experience opposition! At times you may feel like a loner, but remember this, "**You Are Not Alone.**" When Christ has given you instructions to utilize the gift He gave you, you cannot get caught up needing **another person's validation.** People will leave you, people will speak negative about you, and people will lead you wrong! Now, is that always the case? No. But we must engrave the following in our mind, "The Lord has my back! Once you get this in your mind, one will learn to **Depend On God.**"

**2 TIMOTHY 4:9-18 NLT** – (9) Timothy, please come as soon as you can. (10) Demas has deserted me because he loves the things of this life and has gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, and Titus has gone to Dalmatia. (11) Only Luke is with me. Bring Mark with you when you come, for he will be helpful to me in my ministry. (12) I sent Tychicus to Ephesus. (13) When you come, be sure to bring the coat I left with Carpus at Troas. Also bring my books, and especially my papers. (14) Alexander the coppersmith did me much harm, but the Lord will judge him for what he has done. (15) Be careful of him, for he fought against everything we said. (16) The first time I was brought before the judge, no one came with me. Everyone abandoned me. May it not be counted against them. (17) But the Lord stood with me and gave me strength so that I might preach the Good News in its entirety for all the Gentiles to hear. And he rescued me from certain death. (18) Yes, and the Lord will deliver me from every evil attack and will bring me safely into his heavenly Kingdom. All glory to God forever and ever! Amen.

Reading the above passage, Paul is telling us how people let him down. He could not depend on them because they did not share the same interest as Paul. Christ went through the same thing. Many let Christ down as well! Put these words into your heart. Many left Christ, but this is what Christ has to say about leaving you, "**I will never leave you, nor forsake you.**" (HEBREWS 13:5)

Depend on Him. He will never let you down.

### SCRIPTURE READING

EZEKIEL 16:6

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Depending on God, Its not hard. It's a choice.

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