

2 Timothy 3.¹⁰⁻¹⁴

choose!

Which way to go?

It's not always easy to choose which way to go – like in the picture below!

You'd like to know what's on the other side of the hill, wouldn't you?

You have to choose! Which road will you take?

Will you go **left**

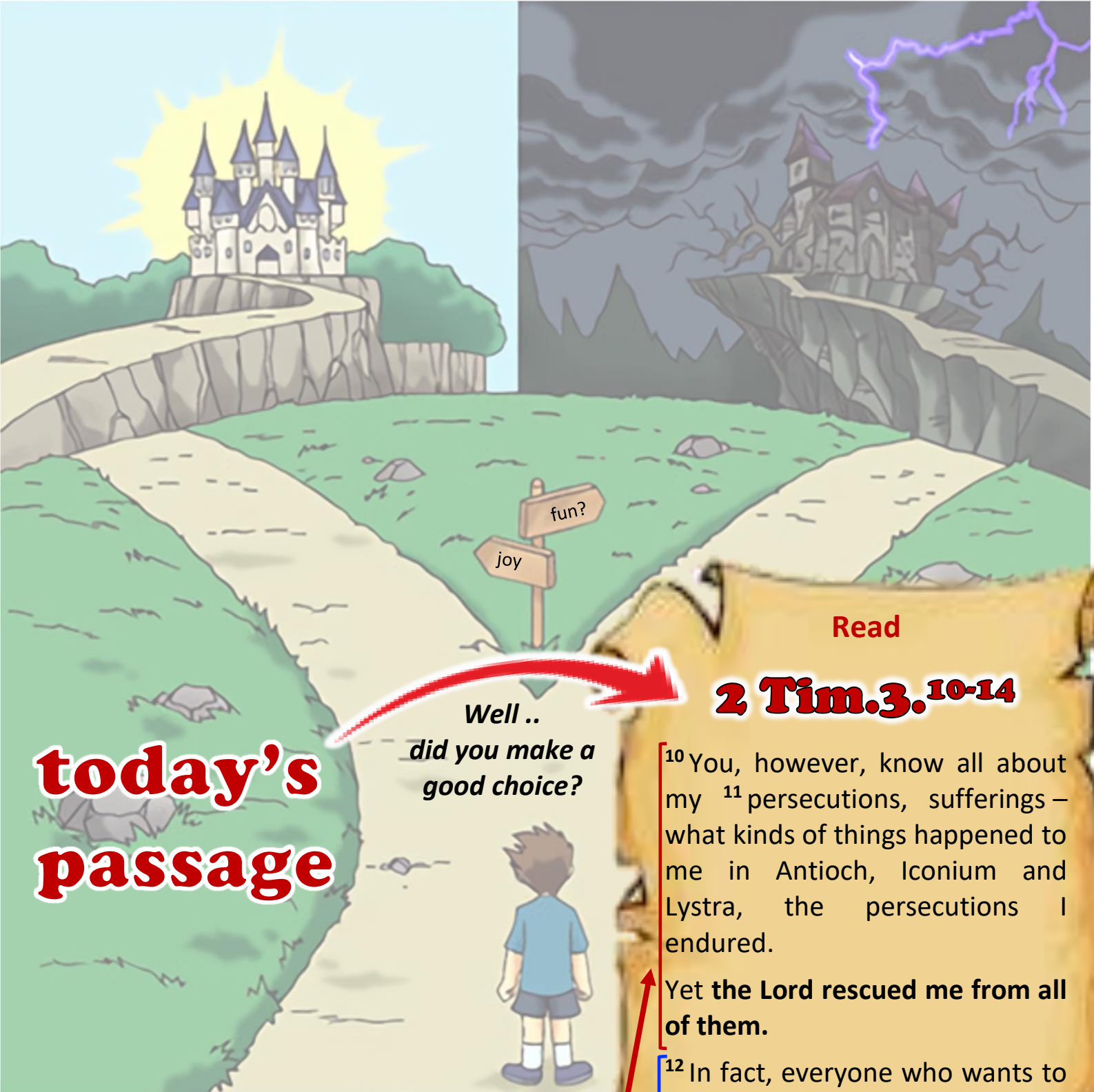
or

right?

Write your answer here



Turn the page to see whether you made a good choice!



today's passage

Well ..
did you make a
good choice?



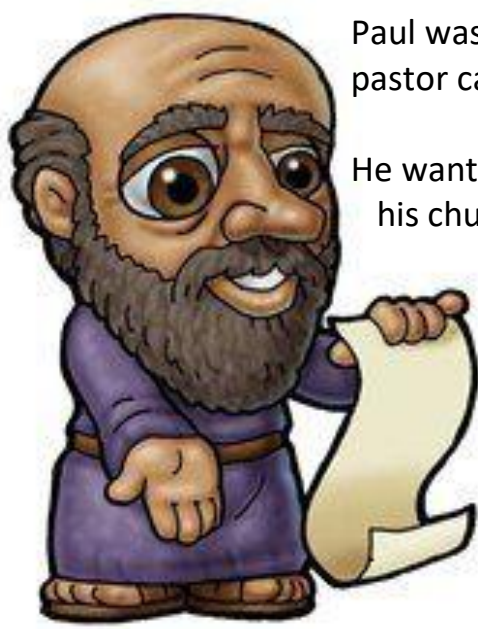
Read

2 Tim.3.10-14

¹⁰ You, however, know all about my ¹¹ persecutions, sufferings – what kinds of things happened to me in Antioch, Iconium and Lystra, the persecutions I endured.

Yet the Lord rescued me from all of them.

¹² In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, ¹³ while evildoers and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. ¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it.



Paul was writing to a younger pastor called Timothy.

He wanted to help Timothy lead his church well.

As well as reminding Timothy of **how Jesus had helped Paul**, he reminded him that all of us have to **choose between two ways of living life**

a godly life ..



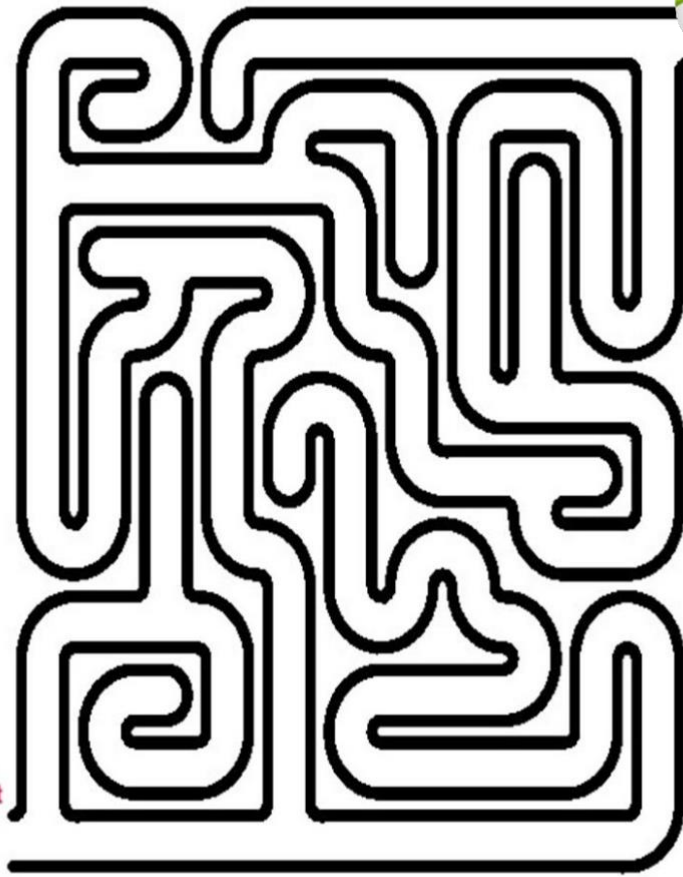
Jesus

Colour in Jesus' name when you've made it to the end of the maze!

Try this maze!

Which way are you going to go to get to follow the Lord Jesus ...?

You'll need to choose right at the start which way you're going to go .. and then keep on making good choices all the way through the maze!



finish

living a godly life

Paul made it clear that there are **3** important things to know about living a godly life

No. **1**

You choose!
You have to decide that you really want to a godly life.



You “.. everyone who wants to live a godly life ..”

No. **2**

If you want to live a godly life the most important thing is learning to live your life with Jesus.

Day by day. And moment by moment



“all who wants to live a godly life

in Christ Jesus ..”

No. **3**

Living a godly life as you follow Jesus isn't going to be easy!

Remember what we were learning last time?



Living a godly life by looking to Jesus, learning from Jesus and living for Jesus, is going to mean that not everyone is going to like you!

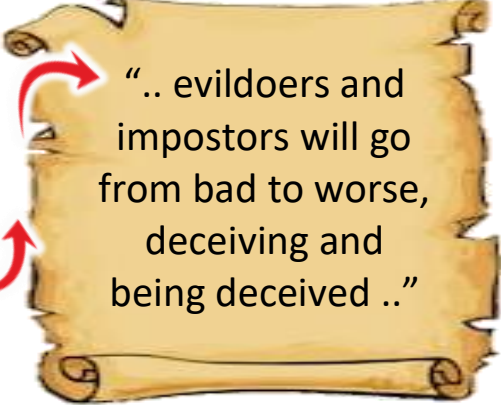
In fact, there'll be some people who make it their business to make life really difficult for you!

“.. will be persecuted ..”

a godless life ..

If you're not going to live a **godly** life .. the only alternative is your living a **godless** life.

This is how Paul put it in his letter to Timothy.



“.. evildoers and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived ..”



“evildoers and impostors”

That's how Paul described those who say 'No' to God's summons and don't follow Jesus.

When he said that they 'will go from bad to worse' he meant that when you choose not to follow Jesus and live life with him, it's a bit like a snowball rolling down a hill.

You keep on going downhill .. and your snowball of pride gets bigger all the time!

You get more and more stubborn going your own way!

make sure you choose the right way to live life!

‘evildoers’

you're an 'evildoer' if you don't do what God's told us to do – which is to trust in Jesus and to have Him as your Lord

‘impostors’

you're an 'imposter' if you try and take God's place by running your own life instead of having Him run it for you



A Prayer

Think about what you've been learning in this worksheet.

Now try praying this prayer (or making up your own prayer!)



Lord Jesus, thank You for what You teach me in the Bible.

Sometimes it's not easy know what to do.

But I want to follow You.

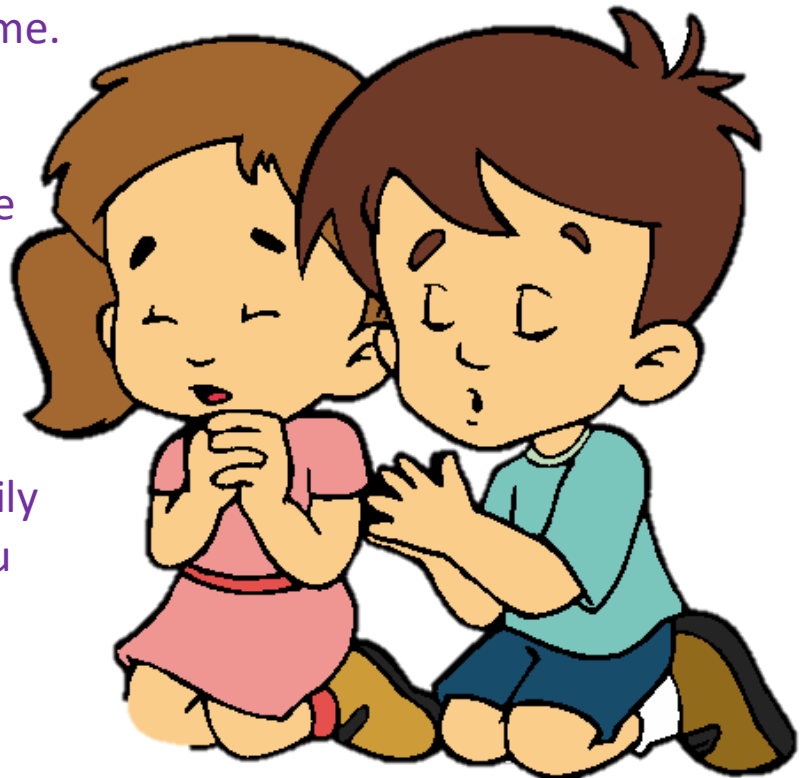
I've got a lot to learn, and I need You to teach me and help me always.

Thank You for the promise that following You means things just keep getting better and better all the time.

It makes me sad to think that some people choose to turn their back on You and go their own way.

Please help all my friends and family come to trust in You and know You as their friend as well.

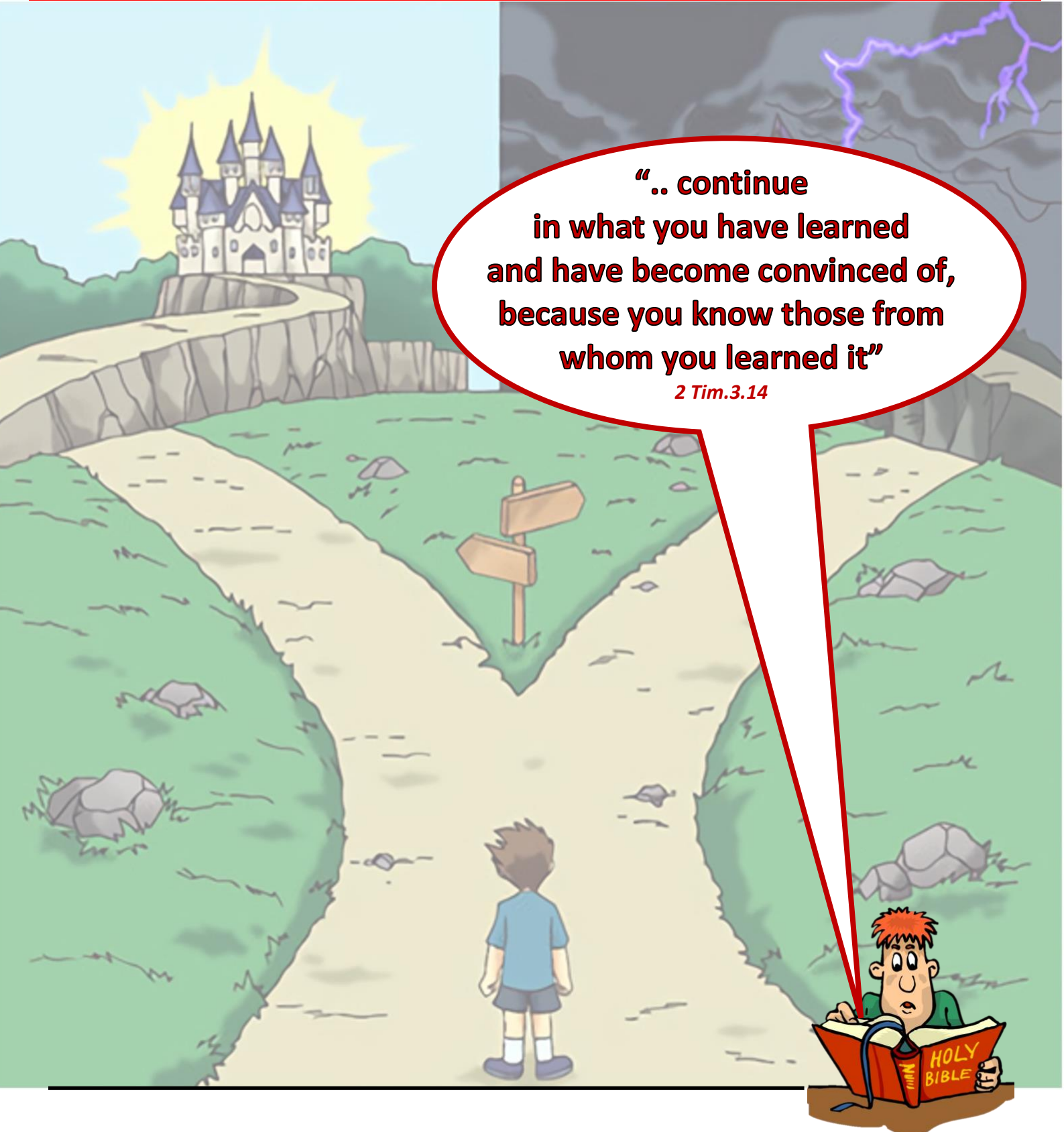
You're the best!



Today's verse for you to try and remember!

**".. continue
in what you have learned
and have become convinced of,
because you know those from
whom you learned it"**

2 Tim.3.14



A WORDSEARCH

Paul wasn't the only one to say that it was hard following Jesus.

Jesus also made it clear it wouldn't be easy: here's a wordsearch based on a bit in the Bible where Jesus made that clear to everyone. You can read the story in Luke 9.57-62

"No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God"

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FOXES
PLOW
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HOLES
BIRDS
BACK
NESTS

FATHER
HAND
PLACE
BURY

FAMILY
KINGDON
WALKING
MAN

**COLOUR it in -
and do what it says!**

**Trust in
the Lord
with all
your
heart**

Proverbs 3v5

