

# **C. S. I. Tamil Parish, Dubai**

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## **Junior Church**

### **Memory Verses Contest (Written) - 2025**

**Grade: 11&12**

**Portion: Proverbs 4; Psalms 71; 2 Timothy 2 (NKJV)**

#### **Proverbs 4**

1. Hear, *my* children, the instruction of a father, And give attention to know understanding;
2. For I give you good doctrine: Do not forsake my law.
3. When I was my father's son, Tender and the only one in the sight of my mother,
4. He also taught me, and said to me: "Let your heart retain my words;  
Keep my commands, and live.
5. Get wisdom! Get understanding! Do not forget, nor turn away from the words of my mouth.
6. Do not forsake her, and she will preserve you; Love her, and she will keep you.
7. Wisdom *is* the principal thing; *Therefore* get wisdom. And in all your getting, get understanding.
8. Exalt her, and she will promote you; She will bring you honor, when you embrace her.
9. She will place on your head an ornament of grace; A crown of glory she will deliver to you."
10. Hear, my son, and receive my sayings, And the years of your life will be many.
11. I have taught you in the way of wisdom; I have led you in right paths.
12. When you walk, your steps will not be hindered, And when you run, you will not stumble.
13. Take firm hold of instruction, do not let go; Keep her, for she *is* your life.
14. Do not enter the path of the wicked, And do not walk in the way of evil.
15. Avoid it, do not travel on it; Turn away from it and pass on.

16. For they do not sleep unless they have done evil; And their sleep is taken away unless they make *someone* fall.
17. For they eat the bread of wickedness, And drink the wine of violence.
18. But the path of the just *is* like the shining sun, That shines ever brighter unto the perfect day.
19. The way of the wicked *is* like darkness; They do not know what makes them stumble.
20. My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings.
21. Do not let them depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart;
22. For they *are* life to those who find them, And health to all their flesh.
23. Keep your heart with all diligence, For out of it *spring* the issues of life.
24. Put away from you a deceitful mouth, And put perverse lips far from you.
25. Let your eyes look straight ahead, And your eyelids look right before you.
26. Ponder the path of your feet, And let all your ways be established.
27. Do not turn to the right or the left; Remove your foot from evil.

**Psalm 71**

28. In You, O LORD, I put my trust; Let me never be put to shame.
29. Deliver me in Your righteousness, and cause me to escape; Incline Your ear to me, and save me.
30. Be my strong refuge, To which I may resort continually; You have given the commandment to save me, For You are my rock and my fortress.
31. Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the wicked, Out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.
32. For You are my hope, O Lord GOD; You are my trust from my youth.
33. By You I have been upheld from birth; You are He who took me out of my mother's womb. My praise shall be continually of You.
34. I have become as a wonder to many, But You are my strong refuge.
35. Let my mouth be filled with Your praise And with Your glory all the day.
36. Do not cast me off in the time of old age; Do not forsake me when my strength fails.

37. For my enemies speak against me; And those who lie in wait for my life take counsel together,
38. Saying, "God has forsaken him; Pursue and take him, for there is none to deliver him."
39. O God, do not be far from me; O my God, make haste to help me!
40. Let them be confounded and consumed Who are adversaries of my life; Let them be covered with reproach and dishonor Who seek my hurt.
41. But I will hope continually, And will praise You yet more and more.
42. My mouth shall tell of Your righteousness And Your salvation all the day, For I do not know their limits.
43. I will go in the strength of the Lord GOD; I will make mention of Your righteousness, of Yours only.
44. O God, You have taught me from my youth; And to this day I declare Your wondrous works.
45. Now also when I am old and gray headed, O God, do not forsake me, Until I declare Your strength to this generation, Your power to everyone who is to come.
46. Also Your righteousness, O God, is very high, You who have done great things; O God, who is like You?
47. You, who have shown me great and severe troubles, Shall revive me again, And bring me up again from the depths of the earth.
48. You shall increase my greatness, And comfort me on every side.
49. Also with the lute I will praise You— And Your faithfulness, O my God! To You I will sing with the harp, O Holy One of Israel.
50. My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing to You, And my soul, which You have redeemed.
51. My tongue also shall talk of Your righteousness all the day long; For they are confounded, For they are brought to shame Who seek my hurt.

## **2 Timothy 2**

52. You therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.
53. And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.

- 54.** You therefore must endure<sup>[a]</sup> hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.
- 55.** No one engaged in warfare entangles himself with the affairs of *this* life, that he may please him who enlisted him as a soldier.
- 56.** And also if anyone competes in athletics, he is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules.
- 57.** The hardworking farmer must be first to partake of the crops.
- 58.** Consider what I say, and may the Lord give you understanding in all things.
- 59.** Remember that Jesus Christ, of the seed of David, was raised from the dead according to my gospel,
- 60.** for which I suffer trouble as an evildoer, *even* to the point of chains; but the word of God is not chained.
- 61.** Therefore I endure all things for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.
- 62.** *This is* a faithful saying: For if we died with *Him*, We shall also live with *Him*.
- 63.** If we endure, We shall also reign with *Him*. If we deny *Him*, He also will deny us.
- 64.** If we are faithless, He remains faithful; He cannot deny Himself.
- 65.** Remind *them* of these things, charging *them* before the Lord not to strive about words to no profit, to the ruin of the hearers.
- 66.** Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.
- 67.** But shun profane *and* idle babblings, for they will increase to more ungodliness.
- 68.** And their message will spread like cancer. Hymenaeus and Philetus are of this sort,
- 69.** who have strayed concerning the truth, saying that the resurrection is already past; and they overthrow the faith of some.
- 70.** Nevertheless the solid foundation of God stands, having this seal: "The Lord knows those who are His," and, "Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity."
- 71.** But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay, some for honor and some for dishonor.

72. Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from the latter, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work.

73. Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

74. But avoid foolish and ignorant disputes, knowing that they generate strife.

75. And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient,

76. in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth,

77. and *that* they may come to their senses *and escape* the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to *do* his will.