

## Trained for the Kingdom — Paul's Threefold Analogy

In 2 Timothy 2, the apostle Paul paints a powerful picture of the Christian life by using three vivid metaphors: the **soldier**, the **athlete**, and the **farmer**. Each one reveals a different aspect of our calling in Christ—discipline, endurance, obedience, and trust.

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1. Boot Camp	1. Training & Endurance	1. Planning & Preparation	
2. Knowing the Enemy	2. The Coach	2. Soil Preparation	
3. Reality of Spiritual Warfare	3. The Team	3. Sowing the Seed	
4. The Armor of God	4. Diet Determines Strength	4. Tending & Maintenance	
5. Staying Alert	5. Follow the Rules	5. Waiting with Patience	
6. Dangers of Drunkenness	6. Eyes of the Prize	6. Harvesting	
7. Diet & Discipline	7. Athlete Summary	7. Rest & Restoration	
8. King David & Mighty Men		8. Farmer Summary	
9. Everyone Has a Role			
10. Listen to Commander			
11.Soldier Summary			

These aren't three separate lives. This is **one calling**, with **three dimensions**—warrior, runner, and grower—working in unity through the power of the Holy Spirit.

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