

# **"AN EARLY CHRISTIAN HYMN"**

## **II TIMOTHY 2:11-13**

- I. "IF" CLAUSE #1 - IF WE DIE (AORIST) WITH CHRIST, WE SHALL ALSO LIVE WITH CHRIST (2:11)**
  - A. Believers Are Identified With Christ & His Death At The Moment Of Salvation
  - B. Believers Are Subsequently Raised To Newness Of Life With Christ Both Now And Forever
  
- II. "IF" CLAUSE #2 - IF WE SUFFER LIKE CHRIST, WE WILL REIGN WITH CHRIST (2:12a)**
  - A. The Lead Verb "Suffer" Is Actually The Normal Word [Hupomeno] For Persevering, & Nearly Always Translated "Endure" In The KJV
  - B. The Major Thought Behind "*Reign*" Is Reward
  
- III. "IF" CLAUSE #3 - IF WE DENY CHRIST ON EARTH, HE WILL DENY US REWARDS IN HEAVEN (2:12b)**
  - A. The Denial Here By The Christian Is Something Permanent Though Not Fatal
  - B. Christ's Denial Is Also Permanent Though Not Fatal
  
- IV. "IF" CLAUSE #4 - IF WE ARE NOT FAITHFUL TO HIM, HE STILL IS FAITHFUL TO US (2:13)**
  - A. There Can Be Faithlessness In Our Daily Actions And Conduct
  - B. God Can Do Nothing But Remain Faithful To His Promises Lest He Cease To Be God