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| 2 Timothy  2: 8-13  Selection B18 | **A Reading from the Second Letter of St. Paul to the Timothy**  **Beloved:**  **Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead,**  **a descendant of David: such is my gospel,**  **for which I am suffering, even to the point of chains,**  **like a criminal.**  **But the word of God is not chained.**  **Therefore, I bear with everything**  **for the sake of those who are chosen,**  **so that they too may obtain the salvation**  **that is in Christ Jesus, together with eternal glory.**  **This saying is trustworthy:**  **if we have died with him**  **we shall also live with him;**  **if we persevere**  **we shall also reign with him.**  **But if we deny him**  **he will deny us.**  **If we are unfaithful**  **he remains faithful,**  **for he cannot deny himself.**  **The Word of the Lord** |