



Heart's on Fire

2 Timothy 1:1-8

2 Tim. 1:1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God,
according to the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus,
2 To Timothy, *my* dearly beloved son: Grace,
mercy, *and* peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our
Lord.

3 I thank God, whom I serve from *my* forefathers with pure
conscience, that without ceasing I have remembrance of thee
in my prayers night and day;

4 Greatly desiring to see thee, being mindful of thy tears, that
I may be filled with joy;

5 When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in
thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy
mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also.

6 Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the
gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

7 For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

8 Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God;

2 Tim. 1:6 Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that **thou stir up** the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

Greek word- ἀναζωπυρέω Transliterated- anazōpyreō

Meaning- **to kindle up**, inflame one's mind, strength, zeal

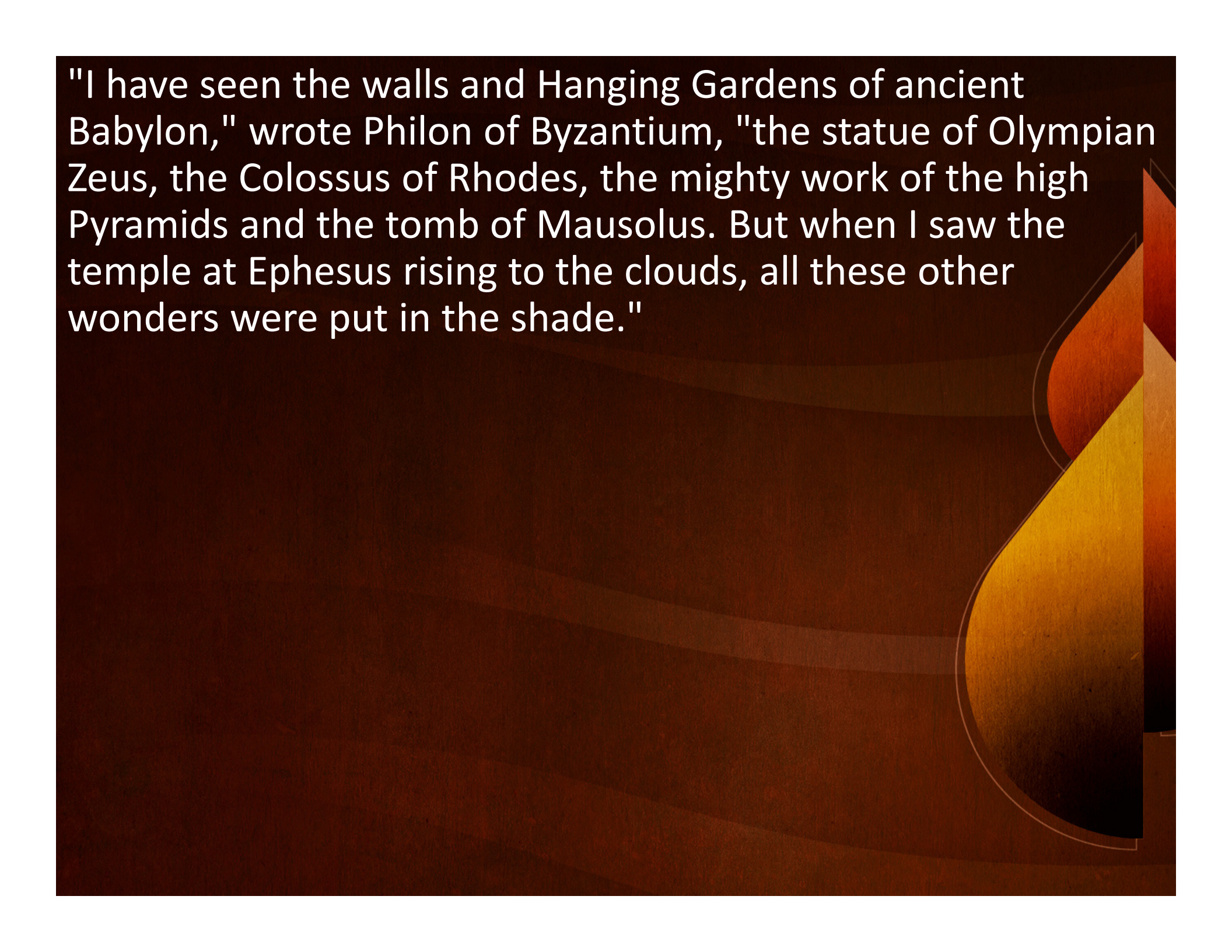
Thayer's Greek Lexicon- ἀναζωπυρέω means a.) the remains of a fire, embers; b.) that by which the fire if kindled anew or lighted up.

I. A Corrupt Culture-

Temple of Diana



"I have seen the walls and Hanging Gardens of ancient Babylon," wrote Philon of Byzantium, "the statue of Olympian Zeus, the Colossus of Rhodes, the mighty work of the high Pyramids and the tomb of Mausolus. But when I saw the temple at Ephesus rising to the clouds, all these other wonders were put in the shade."



Theater in which Paul had his public hearing after the silversmith Demetrius incited other craftsmen against Paul for opposing the worship of the idol Diana of the Ephesians. (Acts 19:29)



A. A Misplaced Faith-

Acts 17:22 Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars' hill, and said, [Ye] men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious. 23 For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you.

B. A Malicious Focus-

Proverbs 26:25 When he speaketh fair, believe him not: for [there are] seven abominations in his heart. 26 [Whose] hatred is covered by deceit, his wickedness shall be shewed before the [whole] congregation.

II. A Cold Church

A. A Loveless Place

Eph 3:17 That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,

Eph 5:2 And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.

Rev 2:4 Nevertheless I have [somewhat] against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.

B. A Leaving Problem

2 Tim 1:15, 4:10, 4:14

III. A Christ-centered Cure

A. Be Grateful for Salvation

B. Be Unashamed of the Gospel