

## ***The Sin of Silence***

**2 Timothy 1:8-10**

**I. Be not ashamed to testify about the Lord. v. 8a  
...ashamed, shame, or fearful.**

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**Why was Timothy in danger of becoming afraid and ashamed?  
...He did not want to suffer - Nero was persecuting the Christians after  
burning Rome and blaming it on the them.**

**II. Three reasons why we should not be ashamed.**

**#1 Because God gives us the strength and power we need,  
"with the Strength God Gives" v. 8**

**Philippians 3:14**

**#2 Because we are all part of a great eternal plan. vs. 9-10  
Ephesians 1:4**

**#3 Because of what Jesus did for us. v. 10b**

**Psalm 23:4 "...shadow of death", there is no substance to a shadow and  
nothing to be afraid of...**

**Mark 8:38**