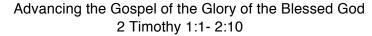
Advancing the Gospel of the Glory of the Blessed God 2 Timothy 1:1- 2:10

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