

Series Title:

“Passing the Torch of Truth”
(An Exposition of the Book of II Timothy)

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Sermon Title:

“Preach the Word”
(Part 4)

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Sermon Text:

II Timothy 4:1-5

Introduction:

I. There Is A Commission To Fulfill (4:1-2)

II. There Is A Challenge To Face (4:3-4)

A. What they don’t want to hear (v. 3a)

B. What they do want to hear (v. 3b)

- What is the meaning of the phrase **“from listening to the truth”**?
- **Acts 7:57-58; Hebrews 12:25**

*Today, people prefer religious ‘sermonettes’ that will _____
instead of truths from Scripture that will _____!”*

- Why are these people so opposed to **“the truth”**? (John 3:19-20)
- The Greek word translated **“wander off”** is a word that literally means “to _____ out,” or “to be _____ out.”
- **I Timothy 1:6; 5:15; John 12:35-40; II Thessalonians 2:11-12; Romans 1:28 ff**
- The word for **“myths”** refers to _____ in contrast to true accounts;
_____ that have no basis in fact.

It is either the _____ or it’s the _____!

III. There Is A _____ To _____ (4:5)

- What does it mean to **“be sober”**?

“There is no such thing as a faithful ministry that is not costly. A painless ministry is a shallow and fruitless ministry!”

- What is meant by the phrase “*endure suffering*”?
- *II Timothy 1:8; 2:3; 2:9; 3:12*
- “*Do the work of an evangelist*” literally means, “*do the work of a _____ teller!*”
- *Matthew 4:19* – If we are not _____ then we must question whether we really are _____.
- Finally, Paul said “*fulfill your ministry.*” This is a command for Timothy to accomplish his ministry _____ and _____.
- *Colossians 4:17* – ministry is not just something that we do _____, but is something that we have received _____, Who does His work through us.
- *Colossians 1:29*
- *Someone once said that, “The greatest use of life is to spend it for something that will _____.”*

Conclusion:

We are living in very dark days. The world is going to hell! Yet the Church is less and less interested in hearing the _____ and _____ of its _____!

Remember, it is your responsibility to make the divine principles and truths contained in this message real by consistent application of them in your own life.