



1 Timothy 4:11-16
The Discipline of a Godly Minister
Part 2

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Nine Imperatives

- Vs. 11** Prescribe and teach...
- Vs. 12** Let no one look down...show yourself an example
- Vs. 13** Give attention to public reading...
- Vs. 14** Don't neglect spiritual gift...
- Vs. 15** Take pains in these things...
- Vs. 16** Pay close attention...persevere

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A Reminder to Timothy

1 Timothy 4:11-12

Prescribe and teach these things. 12
Let no one look down on your youthfulness, but rather in speech, conduct, love, faith and purity, show yourself an example of those who believe.

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Be Devoted to Scripture

1 Timothy 4:13

Until I come, give attention to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation and teaching.

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Pastors Must Use Their Gift

1 Timothy 4:14

Do not neglect **the spiritual gift** within you, **which was bestowed on you through prophetic utterance** with the laying on of hands by the presbytery.

Laying on of Hands

Acts 6:6

And these they brought before the apostles; and after praying, **they laid their hands on them.**

1 Timothy 5:22

Do not **lay hands upon** anyone too hastily and thereby share responsibility for the sins of others; keep yourself free from sin.

Persevere in Doctrine and Deed

1 Timothy 4:15-16

Take pains with these things; be *absorbed* in them, so that your progress will be evident to all. 16 Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching; **persevere in these things**, for as you do this you will ensure salvation both for yourself and for those who hear you.

Applications

1. We must be convinced that Scripture sanctifies the church.
2. Every believer must use their gifts with perseverance for the sake of the body of Christ.

Scripture Will Sanctify Us!

2 Timothy 3:15-17

...from childhood you have known the sacred writings which are able to give you the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. **16** All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; **17** so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped **for every** good work.

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We Must Use Our Gifts

Romans 12:6-8

Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, **each of us is to exercise them accordingly**: if prophecy, according to the proportion of his faith; **7** if service, in his serving; or he who teaches, in his teaching; **8** or he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.

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