

How to Persevere in Godliness

1 Timothy 4:11-16

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To Toil and Strive for Godliness, I Must:

1. Persevere in My Goal of Living for Christ :: v. 12

2 Corinthians 5:9 - *Whether I am at home or I am away, I make it my aim to please Him.*

Speech

Conduct

1 Timothy 1:4 - *The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith.*

Faith, Love & Purity

2. Persevere in the Word of God :: v. 13

The focal point of the church's gathering is the Word of God. There is a devotion to it.

Application to the church? Make God's Word a priority in your life.

- Be devoted to positioning yourself under the reading, preaching, and teaching.
- Prepare yourself to focus on God's Word.

At lunch, discuss: What was the most important thing that you learned from the sermon?

3. Persevere in Exercising Spiritual Gifts :: v. 14

Do not neglect the gift that you have. Stay the course...don't give up.

Philippians 1:6 - *I am sure of this that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Christ.*

2 Timothy 2:13 - *Though we be faithless, he remains faithful.*

4. Persevere in Persistence :: vv. 15-16

Practice these things. Immerse yourself in them. Grow. Keep a close watch on yourself and the teaching. Persist in this.

Meditation

What has changed about my understanding of God?

What did Scripture teach me about myself?

What needs to change in my life as a result of this sermon?

What can I change or do to better prepare myself to receive God's Word on Sunday mornings?

Who this week can I encourage to help them persevere in their discipline for godliness?