

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: May 12, 2024
1 Timothy 4:11-16

1. What things is Paul talking about in 4:11?
 - a. Not to focus on legalism, but to lead people to godly relationship with a living God.
 - b. The life and character that leaders in the church ought to have to model it for all the people.
 - c. All the things he's been saying.

2. Why does Paul tell Timothy in verse 12 not to let anyone look down on him because he is young?
 - a. Because he was young.
 - b. Because it might be difficult for a young person to "command and teach these things."
 - c. The world might tell us that we do not have the experience or authority to teach older people when we are young.
 - d. Well, even though we only have some of the letters written by Paul and none of the one that were written back, but we can assume this communication was a two-way street, so it is possible that people were already looking down on Timothy and that is why he was struggling to stay faithful in presenting hard teachings.

3. How does Paul say for Timothy to "combat" the tendency for people to look down on him because he is young?
 - a. Yell louder and tell people about your godly authority.
 - b. Set an example and do the things that God would have you do so that you show yourself worthy of being a teacher of others.

4. Do these instructions only apply to young people, or should we all be setting this sort of example?

- Do they only apply to pastors? _____

5. What does it mean to:
 - a. Set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, and in purity. ____

 - Are you doing this? Yes_____ No_____ What might you change today in order to start?
 - b. Devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to preaching and to teaching. _____

 - Are you doing this? Yes_____ No_____ What might you change today in order to start applying this instruction to your life...in your context? _____
 - c. Do not neglect your gift... _____

 - Are you doing this? Yes_____ No_____ What might you change today in order to start?
 - d. Be diligent in these matters and give yourself wholly to them, so that everyone may see your progress. _____
Are you doing this? Yes_____ No_____ What might you change today in order to start?
 - e. Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them... _____

 - Are you doing this? Yes_____ No_____ What might you change today in order to start?

6. Do you think that we should want to "save both yourself and your hearers"? Yes_____ No_____
- Will you do what Paul suggests in order to see people saved? _____
