

A Life That Speaks

1 Timothy 4:12-16

Some context:

Timothy was relative _____ in a world that respected its _____.

Timothy was a relative _____ in a world that honored _____ and _____.

Timothy was assuming _____ leadership of a church surrounded by a culture of _____.

What should he do?

The commands:

Lead with your _____. *"Be an example ..."*

Give them the _____. *"Give attention to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine ..."*

Rely on _____ (Through the GIFT He has given you). *"Do not neglect the gift ..."*

All summarized in this:

"Keep a close watch on yourself and on the teaching." (ESV)

It's much easier to study _____ than to study _____.

But I can't neglect _____ if I want to live a life that honors God, finishes well, and is a boon, not a burden, to others.

To know myself is to know my _____, therefore _____ is critical for Christian living.

How I talk

How I act

My affections

My faith

My integrity

Even then, I have a problem: My heart _____ me (I have _____) where I am concerned.

Jeremiah 17:9-10a

I must constantly ask _____ to help me _____.

Psalms 26:2-3, 139:1,23-24

And I must _____ and _____ others to help me watch my life.

Proverbs 12:15, Hebrews 3:12-14, Galatians 6:1-2, Ephesians 4:25

What's at stake:

"... in doing this you will save both yourself and those who hear you."

In what way will his _____ and _____ "save" himself and others?

Remember: Clarity on the _____ is _____!

4:10 does not teach _____ ...

4:16 does not teach salvation by _____ ...

A critical concept is in view here:

_____ – How will I remain faithful and help my brothers/sisters do the same?