



“Be An Example”

No Excuses
I Timothy 4:12-16

Being an example of:

I. Purity – “an example of the believers in...purity” (v. 12)

It’s a purity of:

- A. **Con**_____ – “be thou an example of the believers...in word”
- B. **Com**_____ - “be thou an example of the believers...in love”
- C. **Con**_____ – “be thou an example of the believers... in faith”

II. Practice – “till I come, give attendance to” (v. 13)

It’s a calling to:

- A. **Ex**_____ – “give attendance to reading”
- B. **Ex**_____ - “give attendance...to exhortation”
- C. **Ex**_____ – “give attendance...to doctrine”

III. Persistence – “continue in them” (vs. 14-16)

It’s a matter of:

- A. **Ste**_____ - Neglect not the gift that is in thee”
- B. **St**____ – “Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them”
- C. **S**_____ – “thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee”

Sentence Sermon

*Few things are harder to put up with than
the annoyance of a good example.* Mark Twain

Additional Verses

- I Corinthians 11:1
- I Thessalonians 4:1-3
- Romans 12:7-8
- II Timothy 1:6
- James 5:19-20
- Jude 1:23

Public Reading of the Bible

- Exodus 24:7; Deuteronomy 31:11; Joshua 8:35; 2 Kings 23:2; Nehemiah 8:7-8;
- Luke 4:16; Acts 15:21; Colossians 4:16; 1 Thes. 5:27

Questions to Ponder

1. What are the key words or phrases in this passage?
2. Who are the central characters of the passage?
3. How can verse 11 be considered as part of today’s passage.
4. What does it look like for someone to despise another person’s youth?
5. What are the easiest and hardest things to be a good example in?
6. How can a Bible teacher be a good example by the way they teach?
7. How are our Elders being good examples for the rest of us & outsiders?
8. What does it mean to neglect the gift in you? Have you ever neglected it?
9. Why is it important that others see your progress?
10. What happens if we don’t persist in all the things in this passage?
11. How does good teaching save the teacher as well as the listeners?
12. Why is Paul the right messenger for the things in this passage?