

**Experiencing Rescue****1 Timothy 4:11-16****Ecclesia, 12****Dr. Ted Wueste****Timothy is commanded to teach ...** verse 11pursuing true godliness & holding on to hope.

"Command and teach these things" (cf. vs. 1-10)

**This happens as we ...** verses 12-14

1. **refuse to allow others to discourage us.** verse 12a  
"don't let anyone look down on you because you are young"
2. **embody the truth of the gospel in ...** verse 12b  
"but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity"
  - how we talk about life ... speech.
  - how we respond to life ... life.
  - how we treat others ... love.
  - how we respond to the Father ... faith.
  - how we make decisions ... purity.
3. **make sure that truth is at the center of community life.** verse 13  
"devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to preaching and to teaching"
4. **stay connected to the community by using our gifts.** verse 14  
"do not neglect your gift ..."

**APPLICATION ...** verses 15-16

1. **Meditate on these things so that others will see truth.**  
"be diligent in these matters; give yourself wholly to them, so that everyone may see your progress"

Which of these things needs to grow in your life? How?

What element of embodying the gospel is the biggest struggle for you?
2. **Pay attention to your heart and what you are teaching.**  
"watch your life and doctrine closely... because if you do, you will save both yourself and your hearers"

*\*Salvation (daily deliverance) comes as we intentionally surrender ourselves to God.*

What, specifically, will you do?

**Quotes:**

"Watch your life and doctrine closely, because if you do, you will save both yourself and your hearers." 1 Timothy 4:16