

Teach, Speech, Conduct, Example
1 Timothy 4:11-16

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1 Timothy 1:3 As I urged you upon my departure for Macedonia, remain on at Ephesus so that you may **instruct certain men not to teach** strange doctrines, 4a nor to pay attention to myths and endless genealogies, which give rise to mere speculation

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2 Timothy 1:13 **Retain the standard of sound words** which you have heard from me, in the faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. 14 **Guard**, through the Holy Spirit who dwells in us, **the treasure which has been entrusted to you.**

2 Timothy 2:2 The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be **able to teach** others also.

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2 Timothy 3:16 All Scripture is inspired by God and **profitable for teaching**, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; 17 so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 4:1 I solemnly charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by His appearing and His kingdom: 2 **preach the word**; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with great patience and instruction.

#2 Become an example v. 12 with cross-references to follow

1 Timothy 4:12 Let no one look down on your youthfulness, but rather in **speech, conduct, love, faith** and **purity**, show yourself an **example** of those who believe.

Galatians 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is **love**, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. 24 Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

Colossians 3:12 So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and **beloved**, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience; 13 bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave you, so also should you. 14 Beyond all these things put on **love**, which is the perfect bond of unity. 15 Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful. 16 Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom **teaching and admonishing one another** with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God. 17 Whatever you do in **word** or **deed**, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father.

A Piece of the Gospel:
...JESUS has given Himself in love...

Surrendering Priority: We will submit ourselves in loving service
to the King.

Loving Priority: We will use our lives to serve, encourage & care
for our brothers & sisters in Christ.

Living Sent Priority: We will see lostness daily & among
unreached people groups.
We will make progress as we are spiritually burdened to move
to lost people in love.

1 Thes. 1:1 Paul and Silvanus and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. 2 We give thanks to God always for all of you, making mention of you in our prayers; 3 constantly bearing in mind your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the presence of our God and Father, 4 knowing, brethren beloved by God, His choice of you; 5 for our gospel did not come to you in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. 6 **You also became imitators of us and of the Lord**, having received the word in much tribulation with the joy of the Holy Spirit, 7 so that **you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia.** 8 For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you, not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your faith toward God has gone forth, so that we have no need to say anything.

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Acts 20:24 But I do not consider my life of any account as dear to myself, so that I may finish my course and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify solemnly of the gospel of the grace of God.

Acts 20:28 **Be on guard for yourselves and for all the flock,** among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.

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Pray for teachers.