



December 18, 2022

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE: 1 Timothy 4:6-10

⁶If you put these things before the brothers, you will be a good servant of Christ Jesus, being trained in the words of the faith and of the good doctrine that you have followed. ⁷Have nothing to do with irreverent, silly myths. Rather train yourself for godliness; ⁸for while bodily training is of some value, godliness is of value in every way, as it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come. ⁹The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance. ¹⁰For to this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Savior of all people, especially of those who believe.¹

D-GROUP AGENDA

Welcome & Catch Up

Begin your D-Group time by taking a few minutes to catch up since your last meeting. Share updates regarding prayer requests shared previously and celebrate what God has done and is doing in the lives of your group members.

Read It

Read the scripture passage, highlighting portions that stand out and things you wish to discuss.

Study It

Among your group, discuss those things that stand out in the passage. For things that may be confusing or create more questions, work together to discover God's truth. For some questions, we recommend going to gotquestions.org. This resource offers solid, succinct, biblical answers to many questions.

Some good commentaries on 1 Timothy are:

Hughes, R. Kent and Bryan Chapell. *1-2 Timothy and Titus: To Guard the Deposit*. Preaching the Word Commentary. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2012.

Köstenberger, Andreas J. *1-2 Timothy and Titus*. Evangelical Biblical Theology Commentary. Bellingham, WA: Lexham, 2020.

Platt, David and Daniel L. Akin. *Christ-Centered Exposition: Exalting Jesus in 1 & 2 Timothy and Titus*. Nashville: Holman, 2013.

¹ [The Holy Bible: English Standard Version](http://www.bible.com/bible/1-ti/4:6-10). (2016). (1 Ti 4:6–10). Wheaton, IL: Crossway Bibles.

Review It

Our costly investment.

What are the things Paul was referring to when speaking of things to receive and to give?

Regarding being trained for these very things, as Paul stated Timothy was, how are we also trained for such things?

When you hear the word godliness, what comes to mind? How can a Christian strive for godliness without falling into a “works theology” trap?

Our incredible return.

When speaking of our return on investment as it relates to this passage, to what is Paul referring?

Paul says “to this end” in verse ten. Of what end is Paul speaking?

So, why then would anyone seek a life of toil and suffering for such?

Five Questions

1. What did you like about this week’s scripture passage and sermon?
2. What did you not like or find confusing about this week’s scripture passage and sermon?
3. What does this week’s scripture passage and sermon say about God?
4. What does this week’s scripture passage and sermon say about humanity?
5. Who outside your group needs to hear the truths from this week’s sermon?

Prayer

Pray for each other. Pray for our church and for others gathering in D-groups. Pray for specific needs shared among your members.