

## Instructions to Timothy - 1 Timothy 4:1-16

**Topics:** Abandon, Abilities, Believe, Bible, Conscience, Demons, Devotion, Doctrine, Example, Faith, Gifts, God, Holy Spirit, Hypocrisy, Jesus Christ, Last Days, Legalism, Life, Life-style, Love, Ministry, Reading, Salvation, Teaching

### Open It

1. Why do you think there is such emphasis on physical fitness in our society?
- \* 2. What qualities do you look for in a pastor or minister?

### Explore It

3. What did the Spirit say some would do in the later time? (4:1)
4. What did Paul say about the consciences of hypocritical liars? (4:2)
5. What did the liars whom Paul attacked forbid people to do? (4:3)
6. What is true about all that God created? (4:4)
7. Why should anything received with thanksgiving not be rejected? (4:4-5)
- \* 8. Under what circumstances would Timothy be a good minister? (4:6)
9. What did Paul instruct Timothy to do? (4:7)
10. How did Paul contrast physical training with godliness? (4:8)
11. What saying is trustworthy? (4:9-10)
12. What should young people strive for? (4:12)
13. What kind of example did Paul want Timothy to set? (4:12)
- \* 14. To what was Timothy to devote himself? (4:13)
15. What was Timothy not to neglect? (4:14)
- \* 16. What did Paul want others to see? (4:15)
17. What could Timothy do to save himself and his hearers? (4:16)

### Get It

18. For what reasons do people today abandon their faith?
19. From what good things have people persuaded you to abstain?
- \* 20. How can we be good ministers of Jesus Christ?
21. What does your use of time show about how much you value training for godliness?
22. In what ways can you be an example to other believers?
23. What importance does your church assign to the public reading of Scripture?
24. What gift has God given to you that you should not neglect?
- \* 25. How will watching your life and doctrine save you?

### Apply It

- \* 26. What specific actions can you schedule into your daily routine to nurture your godliness?
27. For what other Christians can you set an example in speech, life-style, love, faith, or purity?  
How?
28. How can you keep watch over your life and doctrine this week?