

1 Timothy 4:14-16

Being a Good Servant of Christ (Part 4)

A Good Servant is Applying their Gift for a Godly Life and Ministry
(v. 14)

A Good Servant is Absorbed in a Godly Life and Ministry (v. 15)

A Good Servant is Attentive toward a Godly Life and Ministry (v. 16)

Application of 1 Timothy 4:14-16

1. How might a person neglect the Holy Spirit's work *through* his/her life by not using the gift He's given?
2. What do you think your spiritual gifts are?
 - a. Have others recognized these (or other gifts)?
 - b. How might affirmation from others encourage application of someone's gifts?
 - c. How does recognizing God has given us our spiritual gifts encourage us to use them in His service?
3. What are some practical actions wrapped up in the commands to "take pains with these things" and "be absorbed in them"?
 - a. Are you and if so, how are you 'taking pains' and 'absorbed in' personal godliness (v. 12), commitment to Scripture (v. 13), and serving with your gifts (v. 14)?
4. What might be some examples of visible growth in the life of the pastor and all believers?
 - a. Are you seeking to grow? How?
5. What does it look like for Christians to pay attention to themselves and their teaching (e.g. teaching at church or in the home)?
 - a. How does this relate to their salvation and that of those who hear them?
 - b. In what ways are you paying "close attention to yourself (including recognition of strengths and weakness, personal spiritual well-being) and to your teaching (including what and how you teach)"?
6. Take some time to reflect on Christ. Who is Christ, what has Christ done, and what's your commitment to Christ? Is He your life and your motivation? Ask His forgiveness where necessary and commit to serve Him with an increasingly godly life and ministry.

Reading this week: Read 1 Tim 4:12-16

Sermon Notes for Children (or Children at Heart)

Date _____

Pastor _____

<u>Book</u>	<u>Sermon Main Points</u>	<u>Other Bible References:</u>
<u>Chapter</u>	<p><i>Being a G_____ S_____ of Christ</i></p> <p>- A Good Servant is A_____ their G_____ for a Godly Life and Ministry (v. _____)</p> <p>- A Good S_____ is A_____ in a G_____ Life and Ministry (v. _____)</p> <p>- A G_____ Servant is A_____ toward a Godly L_____ and M_____ (v. _____)</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
<u>Verses</u>		

Words you heard during the sermon (tally each time)

God/Father	Christ/Jesus/Lord	Life	Ministry	Paul	Serve/Servant	Timothy

What is the message about? _____

How can you do this? _____

What/who can you pray for? _____

Draw a picture related to the message: