<u>Intro</u>:

THEME: 'Fulfill Your Ministry' ...

Key verse: 2 Tim 4:5

SECONDARY THEME:

Key verses: 2 Tim 4:7-8 ...

OUTLINE:

Chapters 1 & 2 – PERSONAL CHALLENGES

- 1:1-2:1 ... Challenge to Persevere
- 2:2-13 ... Illustrations of Perseverance
 - o **A Soldier** 2:3-4
 - o An Athlete 2:5
 - o **A Farmer** 2:6
 - o **Paul's own example** 2:2,7-10

2:14-26 ... Challenge to Faithfulness – 2:15, 22-26

Chapters 3 & 4 – PASTORAL CHALLENGES –

- 3:1-13 ... Perils of Sinful Men
- 3:14-17 ... God's Provision for Faithful Men
- 4:1-5 ... Challenge to Faithful Men
- 4:6-8 ... Promise to Faithful Men
- 4:9-16 ... Predicaments of Faithful Men
- 4:17-18 ... Testimony of a Faithful Man
- 4:19-22 ... Farewell of a Faithful Man



1st – The Lesson of FINISHING WELL (4:6-8) –

 (1^{st}) Do all we do with a GOOD CONSCIENCE – 1:3

(2nd) Be Prayer Warriors – 1:3

(3rd) Be Unashamedly Bold for Christ – 1:7-10, 12

 (4^{th}) Be Strong in the Lord – 2:1

 (6^{th}) Be Bereans with God's Word – 3:14-17... 2:15

(7th) Be Holy – 2:19-23

Robert Murry McCheyne – 'Do not forget the inner man, the heart. The cavalry officer knows that his life depends upon his saber, so he keeps it clean. Every stain he wipes off with the greatest care. You are God's chosen instrument. According to your purity, so shall be your success. It is not great talent; it is not great ideas that God uses; it is great likeness to Jesus Christ. A holy man is an awesome weapon in the hand of God.'

 (8^{th}) Be the Lord's Servant – 2:24-26

(9th) Be Confident in Christ – 4:17-18

2nd – The Lesson of Perseverance – 1:7-8, 12-14... 2:1ff