Opening Up I Timothy



"Are You a Saving Example for Others?"
I Timothy 4:11-16



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1 Corinthians 16:11 (NKJV)

11 Therefore let no one despise him. But send him on his journey in peace, that he may come to me; for I am waiting for him with the brethren.



Titus 2:15 (NKJV)

15 Speak these things, exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no one despise you.



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Matthew 23:11 (NKJV)

11 But he who is greatest among you shall be your servant.



IV. Command and Teach the Connection Between Commitment and Growth (v. 15)

15 Meditate on these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress may be evident to all.



2 Timothy 2:16 (NKJV)

16 But shun profane and idle babblings, for they will increase to more ungodliness.



2 Timothy 3:9 (NKJV)

9 but they will progress no further, for their folly will be manifest to all, as theirs also was.



V. Command and Teach the Personal, Saving Application of Doctrine (v. 16)

16 Take heed to yourself and to the doctrine. Continue in them, for in doing this you will save both yourself and those who hear you.



1 Corinthians 9:27 (NKJV)

27 But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified.