

III. **HOW** TO PREACH THE WORD? (4:2b-4)

A. Preach the Word with **application** to life (4:2c).

- **Reprove**
- **Rebuke**
- **Exhort**
- **Longsuffering**
- **Teaching**

B. Preach the Word with **perseverance** (4:3-4).

*“But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.”*  
I Corinthians 2:14

*21 And when they had preached the gospel to that city and made many disciples, they returned to Lystra, Iconium, and Antioch, 22 strengthening the souls of the disciples, exhorting them to continue in the faith, and saying, “We must through many tribulations enter the kingdom of God.”*  
Acts 14:21-22

**BE FEARLESS AND PREACH THE WORD!**

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II Timothy 1:7

**FEARLESS~II TIMOTHY SERIES**

Preach The Word

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**INTRODUCTION**

A. Fear is a stronghold that will hold you back from reaching your full potential. A fearless life is a limitless life! It is God’s will that you live a fearless life.

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B. This series is based on II Timothy. It is Paul’s final book and it is written from his prison cell in Rome. The apostle Paul wrote this book to “Timid Timothy” to help him overcome his fear. In this series you will learn how to be fearless in specific ways.

May 14	Stir Up The Gift
May 21	Don’t Be Ashamed
May 28	Be Strong
Jun 4	Depart From Iniquity
Jun 11	Know Perilous Times Will Come
TODAY	Preach The Word
Jun 25	Fulfill The Ministry

The goal of this series will be to turn your fear into fuel!

C. **TEXT:** II Timothy 3:14-4:4 (Pew Bible/Pg.1169/New Test.)

“Preach” means to make a **public** declaration of the Word. It applies to **all** Christians, not just pastors.

*“How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?”*  
Romans 10:14

## HOW TO PREACH THE WORD

### I. **WHY** PREACH THE WORD ? (3:14-4:1)

#### A. Because of the **salvation** of the Word (3:14-15).

*“but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.”*

John 20:31

#### B. Because of the **authority** of the Word (3:16a).

*“20 knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation,  
21 for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.”*

II Peter 1:20-21

#### C. Because of the **utility** of the Word (3:16b).

- **Doctrine** (what is right)
- **Reproof** (what is not right)
- **Correction** (how to get right)
- **Instruction** In Righteousness (how to stay right)

#### D. Because of the **result** of the Word (3:17).

*“24 because “All flesh is as grass, And all the glory of man as the flower of the grass. The grass withers, And its flower falls away,*

*25 But the word of the LORD endures forever.” Now this is the word which by the gospel was preached to you.*

*1 Therefore, laying aside all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking,*

*2 as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby,”* I Peter 1:24-2:2

#### E. Because of the **judgment** of the Word (4:1).

*“For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.”*

II Corinthians 5:10

### II. **WHEN** TO PREACH THE WORD ? (4:2a)

#### A. Be **ready** to preach the Word at every opportunity (4:2a).

*“But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear;”*

I Peter 3:15

*“Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.”*

I Corinthians 15:58

#### B. Preach the Word when it's **popular** and **unpopular** (4:2b).

*“For do I now persuade men, or God? Or do I seek to please men? For if I still pleased men, I would not be a bondservant of Christ.”*

Galatians 1:10

*“And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.”*

Matthew 10:28