"Preach the Word" 2 Timothy 4:1-5 8/21/22

1. The Priority of Preaching – 1-2

2. The People's Indifference – 3-4

3. The Preacher's Responsibility – 5

How to Listen to a Sermon (From Lifeway Research)

Discussion Questions

The following questions are designed to be used by parents in discussing the sermon with their children, but can be used by anyone in discussing the sermon with others:

- 1. What stood out to you in this sermon? Why?
- 2. Why is preaching important?
- 3. To preach means to make a proclamation. It is the picture of a herald giving a word from a king. With that picture in mind, what are Timothy and all pastors obligated to do when delivering God's message?
- 4. What is the foundation upon which preaching is built?
- 5. What is an evangelist?
- 6. Is it only the pastor who is to be an evangelist?
- 7. In light of this passage, what question should you ask when someone asks you about a church that they are considering attending?

Going Deeper:

These questions are designed for the believer to use in prayer with his/her Lord, and in discussion with brothers and sisters in the Lord:

- 1. How did this sermon challenge your thinking, or grow your understanding?
- 2. How would you live differently today if you knew you did so "in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus?" (v. 1)
- 3. Are you more concerned about what God thinks than what people think?
- 4. When we turn away from a truth we don't like, what is the inevitable result? Why is this so dangerous?
- 5. What threatens to "intoxicate" you and keep you from being clear-headed spiritually?
- 6. How have you worked at evangelism this past week?
- 7. What should you begin doing in order to listen to a sermon better?