

Go Deep

1 Timothy 6:11-16

1. *Read 1 Timothy 6:11-12.* Paul calls Timothy a “man of God.” What makes someone a man/woman of God?
2. What are the four things Paul tells Timothy to do in these verses? Is it possible to follow Christ without doing one of these?
3. What are “these things” he says to flee from? What are the other things we are told to flee from in Scripture? What does running away from all these things look like practically? Can you flee the wrong way?
4. What does the word “pursue” mean to you? As individuals, what are some ways we can pursue each of the things Paul mentions here? Which one is the most challenging to you?
5. Is effort and hard work necessary for following Christ? How do some teachers over or under emphasize effort?
6. Why is the Christian life like a fight—a battle and a race? Why is a “good” fight? Why does Paul say, “the faith” instead of just “faith”? What was Timothy’s fight?
7. Can we *take hold* of eternal life now? What does it mean to have a “calling” on your life? What is “the good confession” and how did Timothy make his? Is it necessary to have witnesses to your good confession?
8. *Read 6:13-14.* What is “the command” in verse 14 and why is Paul so serious about Timothy keeping it? Does keeping it without spot or blemish mean that Timothy must be perfect?
9. *Read 6:15-16.* Name all the ways God is described here. Which one sticks out most to you and why? Why does Paul end this section with this profound doxology?