

Sermon Notes

Keeping it Real

2 Timothy 3:10-14

Intro: "Caught not just taught"... the huge value of seeing authentic, older Christian lives up close

1. Stick with the genuine model of ministry you've seen in Paul

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- His Teaching (2:8)
- His Conduct (4:7)
- His Aim (2:10)
- His Faith (1:12)
- His Patience (2:24)
- His Love (1:3-4, 13)
- His Steadfastness (4:17-18)

Facing Persecutions & Sufferings Repeatedly!

2. Because your choice is clear: either face inevitable flack for gospel-living, or get further and further from the truth

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...a sobering truth for Bible teachers [cf. 3:5]

...a sobering truth for every Christian!

3. But you know the authenticity of those you learnt the gospel from, so stick with it!

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...e.g. Grandma Lois, Mother Eunice [cf. 1:5]

Conclusion:

Guarding the gospel is a collective, multi-generational task!