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2 Timothy 2:1 You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, 2 and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also. 3 Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. 4 No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him. 5 An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. 6 It is the hardworking farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. 7 Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything. (ESV)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

- 1. Read **Philippians 2:19-22**. What do you imagine would have been some of the advantages of being trained and personally mentored by the Apostle Paul?
- 2. Read **Ephesians 4:11-14** and **Jeremiah 3:15**. How can this passage motivate us to pray and sacrifice for the identification and training of these types of leaders? Why is their education and mentoring so critically important, especially in our day?

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3. Read **2 Timothy 2:15-16**. What deficiencies and risks are passed on to churches and ministries when pastors and leaders...

...do not "do their best" or work hard?

...do not rightly handle the word?

...engage in irreverent babble?

4. Read **1 Timothy 4:6-8**. How might we feel a hundred years from now knowing that we were a part of establishing a training center for an army of "good servants of Christ Jesus"?

This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

September 9th

Prov.15-16 & 2Cor.1

September 10th

Prov.17-18 & 2Cor.2

September 11th

Prov.19-20 & 2Cor.3

September 12th

Prov.21-22 & 2Cor.4

September 13th

Prov.23-24 & 2Cor.5

September 14th

Prov.25-27 & 2Cor.6

September 15th

Prov.28-29 & 2Cor.7

September 16th

Prov.30-31 & 2Cor.8

The following related sermons are also available for downloading or streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

Msg. 12-30 – The Big Assignment: Training People to Serve Christ

Msg. 09-10 - Highly Committed Participants: Serving God with Excellence

Msg. 18-10 – Giving Gifts Fit for Royalty

Msg. 11-07 - Excelling in Generosity

Msg. 16-27 - Worldly Ambition & Godly Investments

Msg. 11-01—11-07 – Sold-Out Servants (a seven-part series on serving)

Msg. 17-01 – 17-07 – *Money Matters* (a seven-part series on Luke 16)

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Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

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