

Committed to Honoring God

⁷ Do not waste time arguing over godless ideas and old wives' tales. Instead, train yourself to be godly. ⁸ "Physical training is good, but training for godliness is much better, promising benefits in this life and in the life to come." ⁹ This is a trustworthy saying, and everyone should accept it. ¹⁰ This is why we work hard and continue to struggle, for our hope is in the living God, who is the Savior of all people and particularly of all believers. ¹¹ Teach these things and insist that everyone learn them. ¹² Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young. Be an example to all believers in what you say, in the way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity. ¹³ Until I get there, focus on reading the Scriptures to the church, encouraging the believers, and teaching them. ¹⁴ Do not neglect the spiritual gift you received through the prophecy spoken over you when the elders of the church laid their hands on you. ¹⁵ Give your complete attention to these matters. Throw yourself into your tasks so that everyone will see your progress. ¹⁶ Keep a close watch on how you live and on your teaching. Stay true to what is right for the sake of your own salvation and the salvation of those who hear you. **1 Timothy 4:7-16 NLT**

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How do you know what your life will be like tomorrow? Your life is like the morning fog—it's here a little while, then it's gone. **James 4:14 NLT**

We are going to Honor God by making a daily commitment to be more like Jesus.

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1 Timothy 4:8 NLT

¹⁰ This is why we work hard and continue to struggle, for our hope is in the living God, who is the Savior of all people and particularly of all believers. **1 Timothy 4:10 NLT**

Stay committed to the process even though it's hard because the benefits far outweigh the cost.

¹² Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young. Be an example to all believers in what you say, in the way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity. **1 Timothy 4:12 NLT**

- If you have breath, you have purpose.
- Don't let age dictate my commitment to Jesus.

^{12b} ...Be an example to all believers in what you say, in the way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity. **1 Timothy 4:12b NLT**

Example: A representative or model to be imitated.
Be committed to setting the example for those around me.

^{16a} Keep a close watch on how you live and on your teaching... **1 Timothy 4:16a NLT**

We must commit to live what we believe. Someone is always watching.

Next Steps...

1. Commit to Honoring God by being an example people can imitate.
2. Commit your life to Jesus.