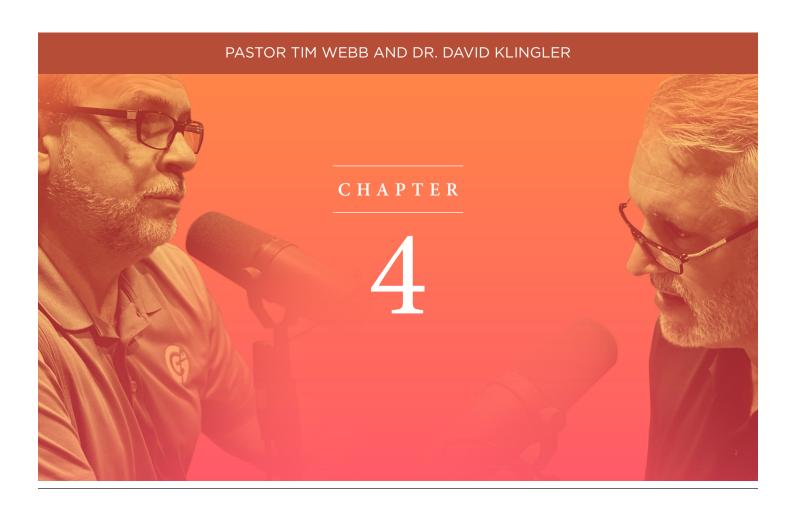


STUDY GUIDE



THE BOOK OF

2 TIMOTHY

Fight the Good Fight



If you are new to the Story of the Bible or would like to review the Story: Listen to the following TMTB Podcasts:

The Story: Understanding the "Big Story" (30 min)

Old Testament: Walk Through the Broad Story (27 min)

Timeline: New Testament Beginnings (35 min)

Letters: Paul's Writing to the Churches-Part 1 (30 min)

REVIEW

In 1 Timothy, Paul instructs Timothy on how he should conduct himself in Ephesus in light of Paul's absence. Timothy is warned about the Judaizers who would cause problems in the church at Ephesus. If Timothy was not careful, he would be led astray in his ministry.

Unfortunately, it appears that Timothy failed to heed Paul's warnings and did indeed go astray in his faith. Thus, Paul writes 2 Timothy in order to exhort Timothy to "kindle afresh" his faith and ministry.



MONDAY Listen to the 2 Timothy 4 podcast. TUESDAY Read 2 Timothy again. How does 3:1 relate to 3:12-17 and then to 4:1-5? Does that same reasoning apply today? So then, how ought we to respond?



WEDNESDAY

In 2 Timothy 4:2-3, Paul uses the same root word meaning "to teach" three times. In verse two he uses is as a noun and it is translated "instruction." In verse three he uses it in a compound word which literally means "good teaching" and is translated "sound doctrine." Later in verse three he uses the root still again and it is translated "teachers."

From this letter, how would you define "good teaching?"

What must you know to be able to identify "good teaching?"



THURSDAY

The word that is translated "sober" in 2 Timothy 4:5 is used eleven times in the New Testament (all by Paul and Peter). Every time the term is used in reference to the truth of the Scriptures.

Look up the following verses: 1 Cor 15:34; 1 Thess 5:6, 8; 1 Tim 3:2, 11; 2 Tim 2:26; 4:5; Titus 2:2; 1 Peter 1:13; 4:7; 5:8.

What did you learn?



FRIDAY

Read 2 Timothy one last time. Make a note of all of the times that Paul refers to things relating to end times, or eschatology.

How does one's current reality and Christian walk relate to things to come?

Why?