



“Be Courageous”
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Fan Into Flame
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BE COURAGEOUS:

1. There will be _____
_____ ahead

2. Faithful followers will be

3. Become thoroughly

SMALL TALK

1. In what ways does the world and culture in which we live deceive people and encourage evil desires?

VIEWPOINT

2. **READ 2 Timothy 3:1-5.** Given the list of vices, what “form of godliness” (v. 5) could these people possibly exhibit?
3. **READ 2 Timothy 3:6-17.** What were some other characteristics Paul told Timothy to watch out for? What helps us recognize “evildoers and imposters” (v. 13) in our midst?
4. Should a truly godly person expect persecution (v. 12)? Why or why not?

GETTING PERSONAL

5. When are you most tempted to put on an external show of religion that hides the true condition of your heart?
6. Does v. 5 (with the rest of this passage) urge you to think about disassociating yourself from any particular person?
7. What specific sinful attitude or behavior do you need to ask God to help you overcome this week?

MAKING PROGRESS (THIS WEEK)

8. Paul's list describes “lovers of themselves” (v. 2) “rather than lovers of God” (v. 5) and the kind of problems caused by this basic sin problem. What can you do this week to get a firm grip on WCC's 5 core statements listed below, especially the first core statement which makes all of them work.

1. Love God Wholeheartedly
2. Do First Things First
3. Don't Do Life Alone
4. Saved People Serve People
5. Followers Say, Follow Me!

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