

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: July 26, 2020
1 Timothy 6:11-16

1. What is Paul instructing Timothy to flee from?
 - a. The church, where so many people are teaching and doing wrong things.
 - b. Love of money.
 - c. The ruin and destruction that comes from falling into temptation while in pursuit of gaining finances and possessions.

2. What is Paul telling Timothy to pursue and what might it look like to pursue each of these?
 - a. Righteousness _____
 - b. Godliness _____
 - c. Faith _____
 - d. Love _____
 - e. Endurance _____
 - f. Gentleness _____

3. What does it mean to “fight the good fight of faith?”
 - a. It means that if we just relax, God will take care of everything.
 - b. It means that it is difficult to stay faithful sometimes and we must stand strong.
 - c. Paul is calling Timothy to “perseverance” and “endurance” and not just to stay faithful for a little while.

4. What does it mean to “take hold of the eternal life to which you were called...?”
 - a. It means that God did it all so that we don’t have to.
 - b. It means that the salvation that Christ died to give to us is worth everything that we may have to give up in order to hold onto it.
 - c. It means that the salvation and eternal life that has been offered to us must be “seized” and should not be held onto loosely.
 - d. Paul is telling Timothy and us that this should be important enough to us that we should hold on so tight that Satan should not be able to rip it from our hands.

5. Why does Paul bring up the witness who heard Timothy’s profession?
 - a. It just sounded good.
 - b. Because when we remember the accountability we have with the church, it helps us hold on.
 - c. It helps us to think back to that moment when we confessed Christ as our savior to the people around us, or even declared our call to ministry. The memory of that moment can sometimes spur us on to stay strong when things are tough.

6. Why does Paul bring up Jesus in this whole thing?
 - a. I don’t know, that was Jesus and he was so much stronger than me.
 - b. It helps to remember what he endured for his testimony.
 - c. It is good for us to remember that Jesus was there when we testified of his calling and his deliverance from sin (and is still here watching us today) because he “was tempted in every way as we are, yet without sin,” including enduring great suffering for his testimony.

7. Are you fighting the good fight of faith and “taking hold” of the eternal life to which you were called? Yes _____ No _____ Explain. _____