

Retreats - Equipping

- **Working on a Training School (More info to come)**
 - Includes monthly classroom training and practical training
- **6/18 – Monthly training w/ Uncle Ralph/Bill (9-noon)**
 - 539 Dulles Ave, Stafford, Tx 77477
 - First Baptist Church (Hispanic)
- **Sat 6/25 – Half Night Prayer (7-10pm) @ the Kuons**
- **Sun 6/26 – EFC Sharing**

- **World Mandate – Sept 16-17, 2011 @ Waco**
 - Registration coming in next couple of weeks

The Last Days - 4

(2Tim 3-4)

(6 - 12 - 11)

Summary of 2Tim 3

Challenging Days Ahead

- People will love only themselves and money (& other negative characteristics that will result from this)
 - Church (Bride) is not for us but for Christ (Bridegroom)
- The 'church' will love pleasures more than God
- Religious but not godly (no transforming power in lives)
- Problems with disobedient/rebellious children
- False teachers and teaching will penetrate into the homes (ie. TVs, magazines, internet, etc.)
- You will know who to trust by not just what they teach, but by their lives (i.e. relationships)

Teachers

- **2Tim 3:10-13 (NLT)**

But you, Timothy, certainly know what I teach, and how I live, and what my purpose in life is. You know my faith, my patience, my love, and my endurance. You know how much persecution and suffering I have endured. You know all about how I was persecuted in Antioch, Iconium, and Lystra-but the Lord rescued me from all of it. Yes, and everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. But evil people and impostors will flourish. They will deceive others and will themselves be deceived.

- **Who to trust (by what they teach, how they live, purpose)**
- **Living godly lives (persecuted) vs. impostors (flourish)**
 - **Noah, Moses, David, Daniel – stand up against evil**
- **False teaching (deception)- live a godly life, you always prosper**

Trust

2Tim 3:14-16 (NLT)

But you must remain faithful to the things you have been taught. You know they are true, for you know you can trust those who taught you. You have been taught the holy Scriptures from childhood, and they have given you the wisdom to receive the salvation that comes by trusting in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right.

- **Key – Remain faithful to what's is taught (obey)**
 - **But it's based on trust & relationship (cell communities)**
 - **Many do not, and left the church (1Cor 12 - dismembered)**
- **What is being taught (Scripture has transforming power)**
 - **Salvation, wrong & right (past, present, future)**

Power to pass it on

- **2Tim 3:17 (NLT)**

God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work.

- **God uses it – if you have it, you can pass it on**
- **That power to transform lives (correct wrong / do right)**
- **Then we can pass it on (Prepare and equip his people for every good work..)**

Correct, Rebuke, Encourage

- **2Tim 4:1-2 (NLT)**

I solemnly urge you in the presence of God and Christ Jesus, who will someday judge the living and the dead when he appears to set up his Kingdom: Preach the word of God. Be prepared whether the time is favorable or not. Patiently correct, rebuke, and encourage your people with good teaching.

- **Overview of 2nd coming of Christ**
 - **Time of judgement (for living and the dead)**
 - **Establishing of His Kingdom (Remember Genesis!)**
- **What should we do to prepare for such**
 - **Preach the word of God**
 - **Tricia's grandfather – time is short**
- **Correct, rebuke, and encourage**
 - **What the church is good at? What's lacking? Why?**

Don't Be Afraid

- **2Tim 4:3-5 (NLT)**

For a time is coming when people will no longer listen to sound and wholesome teaching. They will follow their own desires and will look for teachers who will tell them whatever their itching ears want to hear. They will reject the truth and chase after myths.

But you should keep a clear mind in every situation. Don't be afraid of suffering for the Lord. Work at telling others the Good News, and fully carry out the ministry God has given you.

- **Afraid to correct & rebuke b/c people no longer listen**
 - **People will reject the truth**
 - **Time Magazine – church that rejects 'hell' – loving God**
 - **Many are preaching the prosperity message (Jesus?)**
- **Don't be afraid to suffer... Will share truth (correct/rebuke)**

Crown

- **2Tim 4:6-8 (NLT)**

As for me, my life has already been poured out as an offering to God. The time of my death is near. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have remained faithful. And now the prize awaits me-the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give me on the day of his return. And the prize is not just for me but for all who eagerly look forward to his appearing.

- **Lastly, Paul said that he is ready & will receive a reward**
- **More good news**
 - **Reward waiting for all who eagerly look forward to his return**
- **Are you eagerly looking forward to His return?**
 - **Ai-Ling's preparation**
- **Crown – well done good and faithful servant!**

Challenge For the Week

- **Are you eagerly looking forward to His return (ie. Will you receive a crown)? Are you ready?**
 - **If not, what do you think the Lord wants you to do to prepare for His coming?**
- **Pray that His power to transform will work in our lives.**
- **Next Week:**
 - **Report any testimony**