

3. Fight for the Faith (4:1-5)

- ▶ Timothy's call to arms: Preach the Word...in all seasons; uphold sound doctrine; endure hardship; co your ministry.

"You're going to find that there will be times when people will have no stomach for solid teaching, but will fill up on spiritual junk food—catchy opinions that tickle their fancy. They'll turn their backs on truth and chase mirages. But you—keep your eye on what you're doing, accept the hard times along with the good; keep the Message alive; do a thorough job as God's servant."

2 Timothy 4:3-5 (*The Message*)

SUMMARY

Timothy was a man transformed by Jesus through:

- #1 A FAMILY OF FAITH
- #2 A FIRE FROM GOD
- #3 A FIGHT FOR THE FAITH

In each God powerfully used Scripture to transform Timothy into a MOG (Man of God).

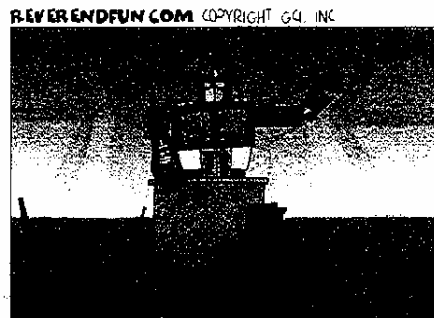
ACTION BOX

FAMILY: Teach the faith in the family. Mentor and be mentored

FIRE: Memorise Scripture: Start with 2 Timothy 3:16-17.

¹⁶All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,
¹⁷so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

FIGHT: Share God's Word with others. Give away a copy of the *Essential Jesus*; Pray for you neighbours; Talk about Jesus this Easter with family.



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Transformed By Jesus #8

Transformed by Scripture

Timothy: Childhood Faith to Church Elder

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

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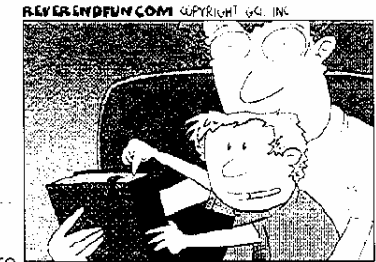
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1. A Family of Faith (3:14-15)

- ▶ Timothy's family heritage: Grandma Lois and his mother Eunice (2 Tim 1:5, 3:15)

- ▶ Timothy childhood faith is *TO BE CONTINUED*...

- ▶ Timothy's faith and his understanding of Scripture was forged in the furnace of his family upbringing.



I REALLY LIKE YOUR BIBLE DAD HOW DO YOU TURN IT ON?

2. Fire from God (3:16-17)

All Scripture is God-breathed...

- ▶ God's Word is the agent of His rule.

- ▶ The ingredients of a MOG are:

Scripture + faith in Christ Jesus = wise for salvation. (3:15)

"For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart."

Hebrews 4:12

