



SERMON NOTES

I Can Faith Today

Keep the Faith, Drop the Fear

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2 Timothy 4:1-8

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2 Timothy 4:1-8 (NJB)

1 Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I charge you, in the name of his appearing and of his kingdom: 2 proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, give encouragement—but do all with patience and with care to instruct. 3 The time is sure to come when people will not accept sound teaching, but their ears will be itching for anything new and they will collect themselves a whole series of teachers according to their own tastes; 4 and then they will shut their ears to the truth and will turn to myths. 5 But you must keep steady all the time; put up with suffering; do the work of preaching the gospel; fulfill the service asked of you. 6 As for me, my life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to depart. 7 I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; 8 all there is to come for me now is the crown of uprightness which the Lord, the upright judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his appearing.

“I can no longer be tethered to this thing that is so toxic and so painful to so many. I can’t wade through any more bad theology and predatory behavior from pulpit-pounding pastors who seem solely burdened to exclude and to wound and to do harm. I can’t sift through all this malice and bitterness masquerading as Christianity to try to find what of it is left worth keeping.”

-- (Recent blogger, writer & pastor)

THE THREE GREAT LIES OF OUR TIME

1. The Condemnation of _____.

2. The Renunciation of the Sin of _____.

3. That Speaking the Truth _____.

2 Timothy 4:5-6 (NJB)

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I CAN F_____

2 Timothy 4:7 (NJB)

“I have fought the good fight to the end...”

I CAN F_____

2 Timothy 4:7 (NJB)

"...I have run the race to the finish..."

I CAN F_____

2 Timothy 4:7 (NJB)

"...I have kept the faith."

ANSWERS:

1. ABORTION MEANS HATRED FOR THE WOMAN HERSELF
2. HOMOSEXUALITY IS REJECTION OF THE PERSON WHO IS TRAPPED IN THAT LIFESTYLE
3. ABOUT THESE ISSUES MAKES YOU HATEFUL
4. FIGHT
5. FINISH
6. FAITH