2 Timothy 3:16-4:8

"But you..."

Introduction

Paul uses the phrase "but you" 3x in chapters 3 and 4.

- 3:10 <u>But you</u> have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance, ...
- 3:14 <u>But you</u> must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned [them],
- 4:5 <u>But you</u> be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

Introduction

Key Verse

1:12-13 For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless, I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day. Hold fast the pattern of sound words which you have heard from me, in faith and love which are in Christ Jesus.

V 16-17

Have Confidence in God's Word

Vv 16-17 – Have Confidence in God's Word

All Scripture

Ephesians 5:20

Colossians 4:16

1 Thessalonians 5:27

1 Thessalonians 2:13

1 Timothy 5:18

2 Peter 3:15b-16

Vv 16-17 – Have Confidence in God's Word All Scripture by Inspiration

at least 332 distinct Old Testament predictions regarding the Messiah which Jesus fulfilled perfectly (e.g. His virgin birth in Bethlehem, emergence from Egypt, coming from Galilee, healing of the sick, death on the cross, etc).

Dr. Peter Stoner:

- the probability of any one man fulfilling eight of these prophesies is one in 100,000,000,000,000,000 (10 to the 17th power)
- 48 of the prophecies, the odds become one in 10 to the 157th power.

Vv 4:1-2

A Solemn Charge – Preach the Word...

Vv 3-4

...In Spite of What is Popular

Vv 3-4 ...in spite of what is popular

Isaiah 55:6-7

Seek the LORD while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, and He will have mercy on him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

V 5 But You

Vv 6-7

The Confidence of Strong Faith

V 8

A Crown of Righteousness

Take It Home

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

MEDITATION VERSE

2 Timothy 4:8

Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.

BENEDICTION

2 Peter 3:18

but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him [be] the glory both now and forever. Amen.