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What *command* does Paul give at this point? 3:14-15; 1:5; ITim.4:16; IThess.2:13; ICor.15:1-5

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What is '*the charge*' to Timothy? 4:2; Col.1:25; ITim.4:15-16; IThess.2:9-12; **Acts 14:19-23**

How is this preaching of the Word *to be done*? 4:2b; 2:15, 24-26; ICor.3:2; Heb.5:11-14

Why has *systematic preaching of the Word of God* often been removed? 4:3-4

What does Paul command Timothy to be doing? 4:5; Lu.12:37; IThess.5:6; Col.1:25, 4:17

Application: Why is this sound advice for all of us?

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You, Timothy, continue in what you've learned (Scriptures), & who taught you. Heritage.

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All Scripture is 'breathed out' by God. Human authors were 'carried along' by the Spirit.

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For teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness. The Word is sufficient.

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So the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work! Word is sufficient!!

What is the meaning of '*thoroughly...*' and '*every...*' in 3:17? 2:21; IICor.9:8; Eph.2:10

Thoroughly=complete in every way; every=every kind or variety. Totally sufficient!

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Often it is seminars, best-selling books and courses. One verse and a volume of words!

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Sobering! Before God & Jesus who will judge all, and He's coming, I give you this charge.

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Preach the Word! When convenient and when it's not. Correct, rebuke, encourage...

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Do it with great patience and careful (persistent, thorough) instruction. But, DO IT!

Why has *systematic preaching of the Word of God* often been removed? 4:3-4

Sound doctrine is not 'in'. Want to be 'pleased', not rebuked, corrected or taught truth.

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Always keep your head (sober), endure hardship, be evangelistic, do all of your ministry.

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