

Small Group Discussion Questions
Sermon Date: March 24, 2024

Sermon: The Secret to Powerful Ministry
Passage: 1 Timothy 4:13-16

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Sermon Outline:

3 Public Ministries and Their Private Sources of Power

1. Public Ministry is Powered by Faithfulness to Gifting, vv. 13-14
2. Exemplary Influence is Powered by Commitment to Godliness, v. 15
3. Authentic Salvation is Powered by Dedication to Truth, v. 16

Review Questions:

1. What are the distinctions between “reading of Scripture”, “exhortation”, and “teaching”?
2. Explain the significance of the phrase “give attention to”.
3. Why is it wrong to prioritize being an example over personal worship?
4. According to the sermon, the Christian life is a race but not a competition. What does this mean?
5. What is the secret to powerful ministry?

Discussion Questions:

1. Are you faithfully using your spiritual gift? If not, why not?
2. Why do you think it is so tempting to focus on external ministry before internal godliness? How can we avoid these temptations?
3. How have you seen your personal spiritual growth improve your ministry to others?
4. Do you let your sin make you feel like you are not a godly person? Do you let the spiritual maturity of others make you feel less important to the Lord? Explain.
5. To what areas of your life do you need to dedicate more attention?
6. What further convictions or questions do you have from this passage and/or sermon?