

(Sermon Series PDF) Pastor Dana Williams

**Title: Preachers of the Word and the fight to come.**

**Text:** 2Ti 4:1-5 I charge *thee* therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom; (2) Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. (3) For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; (4) And they shall turn away *their* ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. (5) But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.

**Proposition:** We must encourage the ministry of preachers of the Word as God's tool to fight against the apostasy in the culture.

**Interrogative:** How can we encourage the ministry of the preacher for the fight to come?

- I. The exhortation to preach the word. (vs.1,2)
  - A. The call of the preacher. (vs. 1)
  - B. The charge of the preacher. (vs. 2a) (PREACH THE WORD!)
  - C. The chore of the preacher. (vs. 2b)
  
- II. The entanglements (or fight) of the preacher of the Word. (vs. 3,4)
  - A. Fighting against the defiance of the culture. (vs. 3a)
  - B. Fighting against the desires of the culture. (vs. 3b)
  - C. Fighting against the deviance of the culture. (vs. 4)
  
- III. The expectations of the preacher of the Word. (vs.5)
  - A. The expectation of the preacher to be a watchman. (5a)
    1. God told us to watch.
    2. Jesus told us to watch.
    3. Paul Commanded us to watch.
    4. Peter Commanded us to watch.
  - B. The expectation of the preacher to endure afflictions. (5b)
  - C. The expectation of the preacher to make full proof of his ministry. (5c)