Leaving A Legacy: A Study In 2 Timothy

"Living A Productive Life" 2 Timothy 2:20-26

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Introduction: As Paul writes this final letter to Timothy, he knows:

- He will soon be executed.
- Timothy will oversee his legacy.
- 1. He knows what Timothy is made of and what he will face.
 - So, he writes to prepare him as much as is possible.
 - He started with encouragement, outlined the mission, and reminded Timothy what was important.
- 2. Today he focuses on productivity.
 - Paul understood the church was a disciple making factory.
 - Jesus has called us to bear fruit.
 - James points out that our faith should lead to good works.
 - Paul teaches that God ordained good works for His children.
- 3. Add it up, as we follow Christ, we should be productive.
- 4. In out text today, Paul addresses how this is possible.
- I. The Principle Stated
 - A. An Illustration
 - B. An Explanation

- II. The Principle Applied
 - A. What We Should Flee
 - B. What We Should Pursue

Conclusion: There is no doubt God has called us to productivity.

- 1. Most (if not all) of us, have benefitted from productive people God brought into our lives.
- 2. I want to be that kind of Christian; I want you to be that kind of Christian.
- 3. How is that possible?
- 4. There are things we must flee, and things we must chase!
- 5. The more we do this, we become more useable to God. That is the key to productivity.
- 6. Are you willing?