Thriving In Turbulent Times Don't Be Discouraged, Be Encouraged By God's Word! 2 Timothy 4:1-5

Today, we'll see the Impact God's Word can have on our ENTIRE Christian Life...

Paul knew the Anchor Christians needed was the Word of God.

The Only Thing that will get us through our Chaos is Relying on the Word of God.

1. WE NEED A <u>SURE</u> WORD FROM GOD.

- Christians <u>Need</u> God's Word to make us <u>Realize</u> our HOPE is <u>NOT Found</u> in this world.
- We <u>Don't</u> <u>Need</u> a NEW Word, we need to <u>LIVE</u> BY the one that's been <u>Settled</u> in Eternity Past. (Psalm 119:89)
- The SURE Word of God has had a Life-Changing Effect upon MILLIONS of Christians.

2. WE NEED A SERIOUS WORD FROM GOD.

- <u>Be Ready</u> at ALL TIMES to <u>Apply</u> God's Word to the Turbulent Times We're Living in...
- Proclaim God's Word like it Makes a <u>Difference</u> between <u>Life</u> & <u>Death</u>...<u>IT</u> <u>DOES!</u>
- God's Word contains His Instructions for Living THIS life & Living in the NEXT!

WE NEED A STRUCTURED WORD FROM GOD.

- HOW does God's Word Change People?
- Our MINDS Need To Be CONVINCED By The Word. (Romans 12:2)
- Our WILLS Need To Be CONVICTED By The Word.
- Our HEARTS Need To Be COMFORTED By The Word. (1 Thess 4:18)

4. WE NEED A SENSITIVE WORD FROM GOD.

- Teaching & Preaching doesn't always need to be "In Your Face" to Cause Change.
- We must be <u>Longsuffering</u> & <u>Patient</u> just like Jesus is <u>with</u> <u>US</u>.
- NONE of us is <u>Without Sin</u>, NO ONE should <u>Cast</u> the first stone & the Only One who <u>Could Cast</u> the first stone, <u>DIDN'T</u>.
- If you want to <u>Thrive</u> in <u>Turbulent Times</u>, <u>Keep your <u>Mind</u>, <u>Heart</u> & your <u>Will</u> <u>Focused</u> on the <u>Word</u> of <u>God</u>.
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