This Is Only Takes About 7 Minutes To Read — Please Give Jesus 7 Minutes



2 Timothy 4:1-2 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; (1) Preach the word; be (2) instant in season, (3) out of season (4) reprove, (5) rebuke, (6) exhort with all longsuffering (7) and doctrine.

One of the things that I remember about my first ordination were, these 2 verses. This is a standard used by most churches when they ordain people for the ministry. I took these scriptures very seriously, but now, I know just how serious these scriptures are. The first and second parts of this scripture text says that ministers do not get a day off. It is their duty to preach the Word of God whether it is convenient or not. — (2) instant in season, (3) out of season. In the life of a true God called minister, there is no such time as a good time or a bad time to preach. There really is no retirement for us. There are no sick days allowed and there is not even time for mourning.

Luke 9:59-60 And he said unto another, Follow me. But he said, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father. (60) Jesus said unto him, Let the dead bury their dead: but go thou and preach the kingdom of God.

To some, this might sound mean, but to those of us, who are following a true call in our lives, it just shows how serious our preaching the Word is. God's people, that includes this writer, are under attack from Satan every minute of the day — everyday of the week. When we preach the Word to others, we are also recipients of the same Word that we are speaking. Whether we preach form a radio station, a church, the street corner or in writing like I am doing, it is still God's Word that is going into the world. Even this short daily teaching is going out into all of our world by the internet. I get reports from many places that I will not ever get to go, how this Word is touching lives all around our world. Today, I have a deep heart ache that I am not allowed to tell anyone about, and if possible I would stop preaching for a while, until God helped me, but not even this is allowed the man of God. (1) Preach the word; be (2) instant in season, (3) out of season *Real God Called Preachers are not allowed to stop preaching, even if they must do it from their death bed, not until they go to heaven for their reward.*

God gives men of God 3 tools to use to do their work. (1) reproving (proving things from the Scriptures over and over again) (2) rebuking (stopping that which is wrong) and (3) exhorting (encouraging those who are struggling to serve God) — these same men of God are not always the smartest of their class, in fact, most of them are not smart, great or wealthy.



1 Corinthians 1:26-29 For ye see your calling, brethren, how that **not many wise** men after the flesh, **not many mighty**, **not many noble**, *are called:* (27) *But God hath chosen* the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and *God hath chosen* the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; (28) And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath *God chosen*, *yea*, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are: (29) <u>That no flesh should glory in his presence.</u>

God gives men of God 2 sources to use to do their work. with all longsuffering and doctrine Long suffering is a must if Men of God are to help people. Sometimes people are their own worst enemies — some describe long suffering as — "Putting up with Idiots." God puts it this way:

2 Timothy 2:24-26 And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all *men*, apt to teach, patient, (25) In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; (26) And *that* they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

God's men can not use their own opinions. Their authority comes from God's Word!

John 15:7 If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

Did you know that many churches are filled with preachers, who are at ease in Zion - Who are digging deep, spiritual holes, and hiding, their God given, talents. <u>There is no retirement plan</u> for the Man of God!