## Keep the Faith

2 Timothy 3:1-4:8 (page 690)

## 1. The difficulty of the last days (3:1-9)

People will:

- A. Love themselves (3:2)
- B. Embrace religion (3:5)
- C. Oppose the truth (3:8)

## 2. Our decisions in the last days (3:10-4:7)

2 Timothy 1:7 "For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind."

- A. Keep the Faith (3:10-11, 14-17)
  - Follow the <u>faithful</u> (3:10)
  - Lean on the <u>Lord</u> (3:11)
  - Stay in the <u>Scriptures</u> (3:14-17)
- B. Show the Love (3:10)
- C. Share the Word (4:1-5)
  - Consistently (4:2)
  - Patiently (4:2)
  - Evangelistically (4:5)
- D. Finish the race! (4:6-8)

Four motivations to finish your race:

- The Lord above you
- The <u>people</u> around you
- The <u>legacy</u> behind you
- The reward before you