Outline of
the Messages for the Full-time Training
in the Fall Term of 2026

GENERAL SUBJECT:
THE CRUCIAL POINTS OF THE TRUTH IN PAUL'S EPISTLES—
FIRST AND SECOND TIMOTHY AND TITUS

Message Twelve

Having the Riches of God and Preaching the Word of God

Scripture Reading: 1 John 1:2, 5-7; Col. 2:9; 2 Tim. 4:1-2; 3:16

I. Whatever God is, is an item of His riches:

A. God is love, light, holiness, righteousness, life, power, wisdom, mercy, kindness, grace, compassion, peace, faithfulness, simplicity, patience, joy, glory, salvation, our spiritual food, our spiritual drink, our clothing, our dwelling place, our healing, our hope, our honor, our glory, and our beauty—John 3:16; 1 John 1:2, 5-7; 4:8, 16, 10; John 6:51; Heb. 12:10; Rom. 8:11; 9:15-16; 10:13; 11:33; 15:13; 16:20; Eph. 2:5, 7; 3:10; 1 Cor. 1:9; 2 Cor. 1:12; 1 Tim. 1:1; Col. 1:27; Rev. 15:3.

B. God's fullness is the manifestation, the expression, of God's riches—Col. 1:19; Eph. 3:19.

C. All that God is, is manifested, expressed, in Christ the Son; the fullness of the Godhead dwells in Christ—Col. 2:9.

D. When the riches are in God Himself, they are His riches; when the riches of God are expressed, they become His fullness—John 1:16.

E. God's riches have become the riches of Christ.

F. The apostle Paul preached the riches of Christ in a full way to produce the church as the fullness of Christ; when the church receives these riches, they fill the church, and the church becomes the fullness of Christ—Eph. 3:8; 1:22-23.

G. The riches of God are the riches of Christ, and the riches of Christ are the riches of the church—vv. 22-23.

H. The riches of Christ:

1. Christ is the door and the pasture—John 10:9.
2. Christ is the way—14:6.
3. Christ is the Lamb—1:29.
4. Christ is the reality of all the offerings—Heb. 10:5-10.
5. Christ is the complete God and the perfect man—Col. 2:9; Phil. 2:8.
6. Christ is the great Shepherd of the sheep—Heb. 13:20.
7. Christ is a great High Priest according to the order of Melchizedek—4:14.
8. "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End" (Rev. 22:13); Christ is every letter of the Greek alphabet; He is everything!

I. When we experience this wonderful Christ, we enjoy Him and express Him; when we live out Christ, there is the preaching of the gospel.

J. In the book of Acts, Peter and the apostles "every day, in the temple and from house to house,…did not cease teaching and announcing the gospel of Jesus as the Christ"—5:42.

K. Paul "welcomed all those who came to him, proclaiming the kingdom of God and teaching the things concerning the Lord Jesus Christ with all boldness, unhindered"—28:30-31.

II. "I solemnly charge you before God and Christ Jesus...: proclaim the word; be ready in season and out of season; convict, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and teaching"—2 Tim. 4:1-2:

A. The word Timothy was to proclaim included what he had learned of both Paul and the Old Testament (3:14-15); he had a proper understanding of the Bible as a whole:
   1. Timothy was not merely to proclaim a word about salvation from hell to heaven; he was to speak a completing word regarding God's revelation concerning Christ and the church—Col. 1:25.
   2. Such a healthy word is the truth, the reality of the contents of God's New Testament economy.

B. Timothy was charged to be ready to proclaim this word in season and out of season—2 Tim. 4:2:
   1. To proclaim in season and out of season means to proclaim whether the situation is opportune or inopportune, whether it is convenient or inconvenient, whether you are welcome or unwelcome.
   2. Timothy was to convict, rebuke, and exhort with all long-suffering and teaching; *rebuke* here implies to condemn severely; the adjective *all* modifies both *long-suffering* and *teaching;* the carrying out of such teaching requires long-suffering.

C. Today all the saints in the Lord's recovery, especially the young people, need the understanding of the Word of God, an understanding of both the Old and the New Testaments; we need to know the Bible not merely according to the letters in black and white but also according to the divine revelation and heavenly wisdom.

D. "All Scripture is God-breathed and profitable for teaching, for conviction, for correction, for instruction in righteousness"—2 Tim. 3:16:
   1. The Greek words rendered "all Scripture is God-breathed and profitable" may also be translated "every Scripture God-breathed is also profitable."
   2. The expression *God-breathed* indicates that the Scripture, the word of God, is the breathing out of God.
   3. God's speaking is God's breathing out; hence, His word is spirit, or breath—John 6:63.
   4. The Scripture is the embodiment of God as the Spirit; we must strike the Spirit of the Scripture with our spirit to catch the divine fire.
   5. As the embodiment of God the Spirit, the Scripture (God's word) is also the embodiment of Christ.
   6. Christ is God's living Word (Rev. 19:13), and the Scripture is God's written word (Matt. 4:4).
   7. The reason we need to receive the word of God by prayer is that, according to 2 Timothy 3:16, the Scripture is God-breathed; this indicates that the Scripture, the word of God, is the breathing out of God.

E. In reading the Word, we need to exercise our eyes, our mind, and our spirit to understand the Scripture and inhale the divine breath to receive the life supply and then minister God to others.

F. "Go therefore and disciple all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit"—Matt. 28:19.

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