

**THE PASTORAL EPISTLES**  
**I & II Timothy, Titus and Philemon**  
**“God Speaks to His Church”**

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*Preach! Don't Tickle!*—II Timothy 4:1-5  
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**A. CONTEXT**

**B. TEXT**

**1. A Charge**

- a. in presence of God and Christ v. 1
- b. the Judge of the living and the dead
- c. who will appear again and who will establish His Kingdom

**2. Preach the Word—the truth they need to hear** v. 2

**a. When**

In season, out of season

**b. How**

Reprove, rebuke, exhort

With patience and instruction

**3. False teachers will preach what people want to hear** vs. 3-4

- a. Not endure sound teaching
- b. Want their ears tickled
- c. Accumulate teachers to tell them what they want to hear
- d. Turn away from the truths and turn to myths

**Ear tickling stuff:** Make me laugh, more entertaining worship, tell some good stories, tell us *Chicken Soup* stories, accept other beliefs, do not be judgmental, don't talk about sin and hell, etc.

**4. Preaching the Word** v. 5

- a. Preach the Gospel to yourself
- b. Preach the Gospel to your family
- c. Preach the Gospel to your church
- d. Preach the Gospel to the “lost”

**C. APPLICATION**