

HARVEST COMMUNITY CHURCH

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On Guard! Protecting My Relationship With God #6

"Publicizing My Faith"

1 Timothy 4:11-16

"Private Christianity" is _____

1 Timothy 4:11-12 (NIV) ¹¹ Command and teach these things. ¹² Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity.

I publicize my faith by:

1. _____ vs. 12

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Matthew 12:34-36 (NIV) For out of the overflow of the heart the mouth speaks. ³⁵ The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in him, and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in him. ³⁶ But I tell you that men will have to give account on the Day of Judgment for every careless word they have spoken.

Ephesians 4:29 (NCV) When you talk, do not say harmful things, but say what people need—words that will help others become stronger. Then what you say will do good to those who listen to you.

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Through what a Christian says and does, the truth of the Christian faith will either be _____ or _____.

2. _____ vs. 13

Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to preaching and to teaching.

Psalms 119:105 (NIV) 105 Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.

3. _____ vs. 14

Do not neglect your gift, which was given you through a prophetic message when the body of elders laid their hands on you.

1 Corinthians 12:4-7 (NLT) 4 There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. 5 There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. 6 There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men. 7 Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.

4. _____ vs. 15-16

¹⁵ Be diligent in these matters; give yourself wholly to them, so that everyone may see your progress. ¹⁶ Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them, because if you do, you will save both yourself and your hearers.

July memory verse: 1 Timothy 2:5-6 (NIV) For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all men.