

In the Midst of Darkness Turn on The Light

- I. Share the Word of Truth - 2 Tim 4:1-2a
 - WORD = Jesus = truth - John 1:1-2; 14:6; 2 Tim 3:16

- II. Eight commands to share the Word - 2 Tim. 4:2,5
 1. Be prepared - 2 Tim. 4:2
 - Pray for boldness - Eph. 6:19
 - Remember: God saves people - Jn.16:8; Titus 3:5
 - Know how to share the Gospel - Rom. 3:23; 6:23; Rom 5:8; 5:1 or Eph. 2:8-9
 - Live in HOPE - 1 Pet 3:15
 - Take advantage of every opportunity - Ecc. 11:4
 2. Correct - persuade - 2 Tim 4:2
 - cf. Matt. 18:15; John 16:8; 1 Tim 5:20
 3. Rebuke sinful attitudes and behaviors
 - 2 Tim. 4:2; cf. Mark 8:23-33; Luke 23:39-40
 4. Encourage others
 - 2 Tim. 4:2; cf. Acts 20:12; 2 Cor. 1:4
 5. Be Sober-minded, think clearly
 - 2 Tim. 4:5; cf. 1 Thess. 5:8; 1 Peter 5:8
 6. Endure hardship - 2 Tim. 4:5; 2:9
 7. Do the work of an evangelist - 2 Tim 4:5; cf. Matt. 4:19
 8. Fulfill your ministry - 2 Tim. 4:5, 7; cf. 2 Cor. 4:16–17

- II. Three motivations to share the Word
 1. Proclaim the truth since King Jesus is coming to Judge
 - 2 Tim 4:1-2; cf. Jn. 5:22-23
 - Unbeliever: Rev 20:11-15; Matt 25:41,46
 - Believer: 1 Cor. 3:12-15; 2 Cor 5:10

 2. Proclaim truth because of the false teachers
2 Tim. 4:3-4

 3. Proclaim the truth because God will reward our faithfulness - 2 Tim.4:6-8; cf. 1 Jn. 3:3