

Love That Challenges
Building a Great Church – Part 11
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2 Timothy 4:2 (NIV) Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage--with great patience and careful instruction.

2 Timothy 4:3 (NIV) For the time will come when men will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear.

1. _____ yourself from the world

1 John 2:15 (NIV) Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

1A. Remove _____ influences

Nehemiah 13:7-8 (NIV) [I] came back to Jerusalem. Here I learned about the evil thing Eliashib had done in providing Tobiah a room in the courts of the house of God. I was greatly displeased and threw all Tobiah's household goods out of the room.

1B. Don't _____ God's house

Nehemiah 13:11-12 (NIV) So I rebuked the officials and asked them, "Why is the house of God neglected?" ... All Judah brought the tithes of grain, new wine and oil into the storerooms.

2. Commit yourself to _____ God

Nehemiah 13:15 (NIV) In those days I saw men in Judah treading winepresses on the Sabbath and bringing in grain and loading it on donkeys, together with wine, grapes, figs and all other kinds of loads.

2A. Worship God every _____

Nehemiah 13:17 (NIV) I rebuked the nobles of Judah and said to them, "What is this wicked thing you are doing--desecrating the Sabbath day?"

2B. Put God _____ in your life

Matthew 6:33 (NLT) Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need.

3. Honor God in your _____

Nehemiah 13:25 (NIV) I rebuked them and called curses down on them. I beat some of the men and pulled out their hair. I made them take an oath in God's name and said: "You are not to give your daughters in marriage to their sons, nor are you to take their daughters in marriage for your sons or for yourselves.

3A. Honor God in your _____

Nehemiah 13:27 (NIV) Must we hear now that you too are doing all this terrible wickedness and are being unfaithful to our God by marrying foreign women?"

3B. Don't get too close to _____

2 Corinthians 6:14 (NIV) Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness?