I Timothy 4:9-16 Setting an Example

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Trustworthy saying #3 (9-10)
        Our labor (Colossians 1:28-29)
        Our hope (Titus 2:13) – in the Savior of all
                It is not in men
                It is not in ourselves
Teaching by example (11-12) – commanding others to do what we won't? (Matthew 23:4)
        Our speech (Ephesians 4:29 / Colossians 3:6)
        Our life (Matthew 5:16)
        Our love (Ephesians 5:1-2)
        Our faith (I Thessalonians 1:8-10)
        Our purity (II Corinthians 7:1)
Teaching the Word (13-14)
        Public reading (Nehemiah 8:8)
        Preaching and teaching
        Practicing your gift (I Peter 4:10)
Teaching yourself (15-16)
        Diligence (II Timothy 4:1-2)
        Doctrinal purity (James 3:1 / II Corinthians 4:2)
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Deliverance – for yourself and your hearers (Acts 20:26-27)

Discussion questions for I Timothy 4:9-16
Why must we strive to keep our hope focused on our Savior? (I Timothy 4:9-10) (I John 2:15-17 / I Peter 1:13 / Hebrews 11:13-16, 24-26 / Romans 5:3-5)
Our example must be a witness to what we say we believe. Why is this so critical? (I Timothy 4:11-12) (I Corinthians 4:17; 11:1 / Philippians 3:17-20 / Matthew 5:16; 23:13, 27-28)
How does a teacher of the Word effectively communicate God's truth? (I Timothy 4:13-16) (Acts 20:26-28 / Ephesians 4:11-13 / Colossians 4:5-6 / II Timothy 4:1-5)