

I John Chapters 2 and 3.

CONTRAST Between:

- light and dark
- loving the Father and loving the world
- truth and lies
- love and hate
- faith and fear
- life and death

COMMUNICATES Truth:

- Jesus is our Advocate (vs. 1-2)
- Jesus is our Example (vs. 3-6)
- Jesus offers Family - Community of Believers (vs. 12-14)
- Jesus warns about enemies (vs. 15-27)

CONTINUE to Live in Christ:

- Abide – (in Greek = Meno) to remain, continue, do not depart

2 Timothy 4:1 -5 New Living Translation (NLT)

4 I solemnly urge you, _____ in the presence of God and Christ Jesus, who will someday judge the living and the dead when he comes to set up his Kingdom: ² Preach the word of God. Be prepared, whether the time is favorable or not. Patiently correct, rebuke, and encourage your people with good teaching.

³ For a time is coming when people will no longer listen to sound and wholesome teaching. They will follow their own desires and will look for teachers who will tell them whatever their itching ears want to hear. ⁴ They will reject the truth and chase after myths.

⁵ But you, _____ should keep a clear mind in every situation. Don't be afraid of suffering for the Lord. Work at telling others the Good News, and fully carry out the ministry God has given you, _____.

Personal Challenge:

From 2 Timothy 4, make a spiritual "To Do" list so you can grow, abide, love and share as 1 John teaches us to do. I've done a couple to get us started.

- Preach the word of God = Proclaim the truth - speak truth – share God's Word and love
- Be Prepared
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