

“God’s Man”
1 Timothy 6:11-14
Father’s Day June 20, 2010

Matt 6:9

I Corinthians 11:7

There is no other man that is given this title in the NT but Timothy. So he alone is given this name. **2 Tim. 3:16**

This term is rare in the NT but common in the OT. It is used 70X in the OT.

“The man of God” – “describes someone that is set apart and gifted by God to speak forth His message, that is God’s Word!”

2 Peter 1:21

but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God; Literally “Men of God moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God”

What Are The Characteristics Of A Man Of God?

1. Verse 11 – What The Man Of God Flees From

2. Verse 11 – What The Man Of God Follows

3. Verse 12 – What The Man Of God Fights For

4. Verses 13-14 – What The Man Of God Is Faithful To

1. Verse 11 – What The Man Of God Flees From:

1 Tim 6:11

(Negative) But flee from these things; This word flee – we get our word “Fugitive”; It means “to keep on fleeing”; Daily fleeing!

It describes a continued lifestyle a manner of life. It is used in extra biblical material of a person running from a plague, running from a poisonous serpent, running from an attacking enemy. He is running out of a healthy fear.

The Man of God Learns to Run From Immorality: 1 Cor. 6:18

The Man of God Learns to Run From Idolatry: 1 Cor 10:14

The Man of God Learns to Run From Youthful Lust: 2 Tim. 2:22

Joseph Was a Man That Had Learned to Run: Gen. 39:12

But flee from these things; what are the things that Paul is referring to?

The Man of God Learns to Run from False Doctrine: 1 Tim 6:3-5

2 Tim 2:17

The Man of God Learns to Run from the Love of Money: 1 Tim 6:5-11

Titus 1:10-12

2 Peter 2:3 false words; "Literally Bendable, word plastic"

Paul to the Ephesians' Elders: Acts 20:33-35

Matt. 6:24

2. Verse 11 – What The Man Of God Follows:

1 Tim 6:11.

(Negative) But flee from these things; (Positive) and pursue (Follow after); "Speaks of always running after, always in pursuit."

"Some Christians flee without following, whereas others follow without fleeing."

and pursue Righteousness – (Outside a man)

righteousness; "It is speaking of our conduct, attitude, words out of our mouths; it is to follow the example of Jesus, who was the model of righteousness. We are to try and be like Jesus. It is our life."

Prov 15:9

Matt 6:33

Isaiah 51:1

John 17:17 Sanctify them in the truth, thy word is truth.

godliness; (inside a man) "character of the man, a worshipping heart. He lives his life in full view of God; God is watching."

godliness, 9X

1 Cor 4:3-5

2 Cor 1:12

1 Cor 9:26-27

faith; "Loyalty to the Lord"; Devotion to God's purposes, God's plan. We are trusting God for his promises.

Sustaining Faith – No Panic, no manipulation, no schemes and plans but simple trust in the Lord and in His promises.

Romans 10:17

love; "Unrestrained love for God and man"; We need to love people

Life & Ministry without Love is a Burden.

Perseverance – "Hanging in there for the long haul"; Not giving up!

Phil 3:13-14

and gentleness; Meekness, humility; Great power under control; That we better see ministry as an out flow of what and who we are.

2 Tim 2:23-26

3. Verse 12 – What The Man Of God Fights For:

1 Tim 6:12

Fight the good fight of faith; The Man Of God is a fighter, a contender, a soldier. Ministry is a battle!

fight – "Agonized"

2 Tim 4:7

2 Cor 10:3-5

Spiritual warfare – "Destroying false beliefs, lies and deceptions of the Devil."

2 Tim 2:3

1 Cor 9:26-27

take hold; Physically seize it, grasping it; Literally "Get a grip on it!"

Col 3:1-2

1 Tim 4:10

4. Verses 13-14 – What The Man Of God Is Faithful To:

1 Tim 6:13-14

that you keep the commandment; What is the commandment that Paul speaks of?

1. Some say the Gospel
2. Some say the Teaching of this Epistle
3. Some say the Whole Teaching of the New Covenant

I think it is all of these things. It is a broad statement that anything that God has said we need to practice.

Application:

What kind of man can do these things?

1. A man who knows Jesus Christ, a man that has salvation:
2. A man that knows where his resources come from, God and His Word.
3. A man that is not ashamed to admit his weakness and yields in dependence upon God.