



PREACHING CURRICULUM

BRACING FOR APOSTASY - 1 TIMOTHY 4:1-5

"We must respond to the falsehoods that undermine faith and protect the flock of God..."

1

REVIEW THE SERMON

What is apostasy and how did it affect the church early on? Why did Paul need to warn against this? _____

What are the "later times" or the "last days" according to the Apostle Paul? When are they, and what are some of their characteristics? _____

2

ASSESS YOUR LIFE

Have you or someone you know ever been led astray from the faith but then repented and were restored? What were the circumstances surrounding this? _____

What are your daily disciplines like? Do you regularly read Scripture? Do you discuss Scripture with other believers? _____

3 APPLY THE TRUTH

What are some of the false forms of spirituality that have crept into the church and culture? How should you guard yourself, and your family/loved ones against apostasy? *Be specific, what action steps will you be taking daily?* _____

Are there hidden sins in your life that are keeping you from bearing good fruit? What is needed and what will you do this week to combat the lies so that you can flourish in your faith? _____

4 COMMIT THIS WEEK

What action steps will you take this week to guard your faith and keep you and those you love from apostasy? _____

To help you in your quest to hear from God daily, check out the 2025 ESV Bible reading plan. <https://static.esvmedia.org/assets/pdfs/rp.esv.study.bible.pdf> or if you prefer a chronological reading you can check out this link. <https://static.esvmedia.org/assets/pdfs/rp.chronological.pdf>

5 PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAISE REPORTS

DATE: _____

PERSON	REQUEST	ANSWER/PRAISE REPORT