Living in Moral Badlands-Producing Great Outcomes (2 Tim 3:1-4:5)

Living in the Badlands (2 Tim 3:1-9)

- Love of self and money are the set ups for all other problems
- Materialism and spirituality cannot co-exist; the one always buries the other
- "Sensational trumps serious truth" among the gullible (Guthrie)
- Watch out for religious forms that have no gospel function—a denial of Scriptural power passages
 - Moral defection is always rooted in doctrinal defection

A Better Way of Life (2 Tim 3:10-17)

Right doctrine leads to right living—resolute purpose

- Faith
- Patience
- Love
- Endurance

How Great Outcomes are Produced (2 Tim 4:1-5)

- The primacy of the proclamation of God's Word
 - His presence
 - His judg ment
 - His appearing
 - His kingdom
- ...because knowing is necessary for doing—and doing is everything
- (1 Tim 2:10; 5:10, 25; 6:18; 2 Tim 2:21; 3:17)
 - Lock and load your life on unmoveable truth
- Endure sound doctrine against the onslaught of political "correctness," cultural sensitivities, human standards
- Seek out teachers who will teach you what you need to hear and not ear salve messaging
- Turn to truth to determine right ways and from what are popular sayings or traditional myths
 - Fulfill your mission against the daunting forces of upside down thinking