

When I grow up, I want to be...

A faithful finisher (2 Tim. 4)

“I’m losing” vs “I have fought the good fight...”

How can we finish faithfully? What does it look like?

1. Tune your ears to servants of the Word

‘False’ listeners

Spit out healthy teaching

Stack up false teachers

Subtler ways we look for messages that suit our desires

God delights to retune our ears

What kind of people should we be tuning in to?

- Those who “preach the Word”
- “in season and out of season”
- “correct, rebuke and encourage”

- “with great patience and careful instruction”
- who themselves are finishing faithfully (v.5)

2. Join your hands with gospel-minded friends

A lifetime investing in and cultivating friendships

What about us?

To be sure, not all those investments pay off

But there is ***reward*** as well

3. Have your eyes fixed on Christ’s kingdom

Paul’s race is nearly done, but he’s ***not*** done just yet!

Like a drink offering

The crown of righteousness

“This day” and “That day”