

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

A godly disciple (2 Tim. 3)

Introduction

Grow up to be a **godly** disciple, not a **glossy** one

How? 3 non-negotiable ways

1. Reject counterfeit forms (v.1-9)

The last days

“Terrible times”

Is Paul simply complaining about how bad the world’s gotten?

2 clues from verse 5 he’s aiming for something closer to home

- i. This people have an appearance of godliness
- ii. Timothy is told to have nothing to do with such people

So Paul ultimately has in mind...

Cf. 1 Cor. 5:9-11

Why must you reject the counterfeits?
Godliness can only come from one source

When someone comes without the gospel, they don’t help you grow up to be godly, but the opposite!

What do we do with this?

- i. Warning against embracing counterfeit forms of godliness for ourselves
- ii. Avoid such people

2. Follow faithful examples (v.10-13)

Easy choice for Timothy, right?

But...Paul doesn’t stop at verse 10 but verse 11!

Because verse 12

But how can being godly lead to not being liked?

3. Continue in the Word (v.14-17)

What kind of power does the Word carry?

The Bible is all we need to keep being godly