



## DIGGING DEEPER

### 2 TIMOTHY 3:1-9



“Raking is easy, but all you get is leaves; digging is hard, but you might find diamonds.”

- John Piper

#### **Recap:**

(1:1-5) Paul writes t(w)o Timothy: *Giving what's been given*

- Do you have intentional spiritually edifying relationships?

(1:6-14) *Do not be ashamed of the gospel*

- Are you actively involved in making Jesus known?

(1:15-18) *Don't desert*

- Do you take the truth seriously?

(2:1-13) *Basic information for gospel workers*

- Do you have an 'end of the book' theology?

(2:14-26) *An approved workman*

- Have assurance that the Lord knows those who are His; from this foundation turn away from wickedness.

#### **Godlessness and opposition in the last days**

##### Last days

Verse 1 - *'But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days.'*

What do you think the Bible means by the phrase 'the last days'?

Look up the following references and record the period of time that is being referred to by the 'last days':

- Hebrews 1:2
- Acts 2:17

##### Opposition

Read: Exodus 7:8-13

Listen to the echoes of Eden.

#### **Questions**

1. We are living in the last days. How can I ensure that I live in the light of this?
2. What practical steps can I put in place to keep the gospel central in my thinking?