# 06.12.16 Primer

A healthy church gathers together to hear the Word of God

# Hear the Good News:

[14] But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it [15] and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. [16] All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, [17] that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

[1] I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: [2] preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. [3] For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, [4] and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. (2 Timothy 3:14-4:4 ESV)

#### The Point:

Individually and corporately, we must continue in the Word - continue hearing it, continue reading it, and continue proclaiming it.

#### Quote:

"In and through the Scriptures we see the glory of God. What the apostles of Jesus saw face-to-face they impart to us through their words." - John Piper

## **Embrace the Good News:**

- 1. What does this passage teach about God? (His commands, his expectations, his characteristics, his desires)
- 2. What does this passage teach about man in his natural, unspiritual state?
- 3. What does this passage teach about God's expectations for followers of Jesus?
- 4. With what we've discussed, try to summarize the passage in your own words as if you were explaining it to a friend.

### Live the Good News:

- 1. What does this passage mean for disciples who make disciples?
- 2. What does it mean for leaders who make more leaders?
- 3. How does this passage impact the way that you live out the Good News in your home and in your relationships with friends and family?
  - a. Parents: How can you model these truths to your kids and help them to understand these complex concepts?
- 4. How does it impact the way that you weave the thread of the gospel as you interact with your church family? In our local community? To the ends of the earth?
- 5. Come up with 1-3 "I will" statements in response to this passage that address the way you view God or the way that you live your life.