Integrity in Spiritual Leadership

I Thessalonians 2:1-6 (series #4)

Introduction: The responsibility of spiritual leadership.

- James 3:1- Hebrews 13:17- I Timothy 5:19

The Criticism Faced by Spiritual Leaders v. 1

The Courage of God in the Midst of Opposition v. 2

The Charge to Timothy - II Timothy 1:6-7 The Charge to Titus - Titus 2:15

The Character of the Message and the Ministry v. 3

The message - truthful The messenger - clean The motive - pure

The Charge from God to be Faithful v. 4

It involves being a God-pleaser - Galatians 1:10 It involves accountability to God - I Corinthians 4:1-4

The Caution Against Compromising Integrity v. 5 a

II Timothy 4:2-4 Psalm 78:70-72

The Corruption to Avoid vv. 5-6

Manipulative flattery to gain popularity - Psalm 12:3 Covetousness for personal gain - II Corinthians 2:17 Self-glory to gain recognition and honor