

Title: Just Do It - Timothy 6:11-21

Read:

¹¹⁻¹²But you, Timothy, man of God: Run for your life from all this. Pursue a righteous life—a life of wonder, faith, love, steadiness, courtesy. Run hard and fast in the faith. Seize the eternal life, the life you were called to, the life you so fervently embraced in the presence of so many witnesses. ¹³⁻¹⁶I'm charging you before the life-giving God and before Christ, who took his stand before Pontius Pilate and didn't give an inch: Keep this command to the letter, and don't slack off. Our Master, Jesus Christ, is on his way. He'll show up right on time, his arrival guaranteed by the Blessed and Undisputed Ruler, High King, High God. He's the only one death can't touch, his light so bright no one can get close. He's never been seen by human eyes—human eyes can't take him in! Honour to him, and eternal rule! Oh, yes. ¹⁷⁻¹⁹Tell those rich in this world's wealth to quit being so full of themselves and so obsessed with money, which is here today and gone tomorrow. Tell them to go after God, who piles on all the riches we could ever manage—to do good, to be rich in helping others, to be extravagantly generous. If they do that, they'll build a treasury that will last, gaining life that is truly life. ²⁰⁻²¹And oh, my dear Timothy, guard the treasure you were given! Guard it with your life. Avoid the talk-show religion and the practiced confusion of the so-called experts. People caught up in a lot of talk can miss the whole point of faith. Overwhelming grace keep you!

Think:

There are so many people in the world who moan about this and groan about that. I bet there are Christians at your school or college who are “secret Christians.” They couldn't possibly let people know they were a Christian, they would get the micky taken out of them. There are probably people in your Church who say things like if I had more time, I would go and help the poor. Now I know that you would never use any of these excuses, but there are so many people who think they hear God tell them what to do, and then find some reason not to do it. The ever straight talking Paul, doesn't mess around when he speaks to Tim in this letter. He shoots from the hip. “Tim live you life with passion, doing what you know is right and do it now.” Two thousand years later, our friends at Nike said the same thing, they said “Just do it.” How right they were, they may not have been coming from the same place as Paul, you and I may not like the way they do business, but they certainly got the message right. If you know that God has told you to do something “Just do it”.

Pray:

Lord please help me live a life where I just do what it is you want me do. Amen

Action:

Hmmm what possible action could we take away from today's reading? Ahh yes. Just do it. Bye for now.