

Preach the Word

2 Timothy 3:10 - 4:8





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What makes ministry challenging?

- Emotional investment in other people
- Work in evenings and weekends
- It's always unfinished
- High amounts of initiating socially
- Everything is 'urgent and important'
- Spiritual battle
- Lack of understanding, or even opposition

Adapted from Peter Brain, *Going the Distance*

Introducing 2nd Timothy



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“...I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.”

Matthew 16:18

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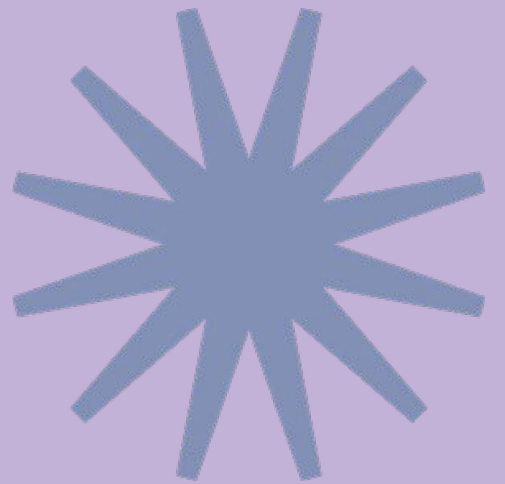
False Teachers

For people will be lovers of self... lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power.

2 Timothy 3:2,5

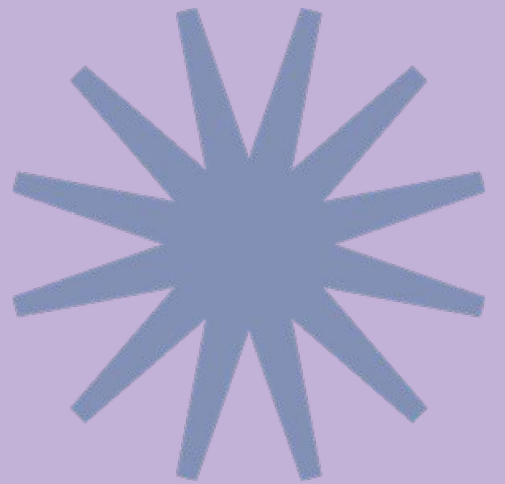
2 Timothy 3:10-11

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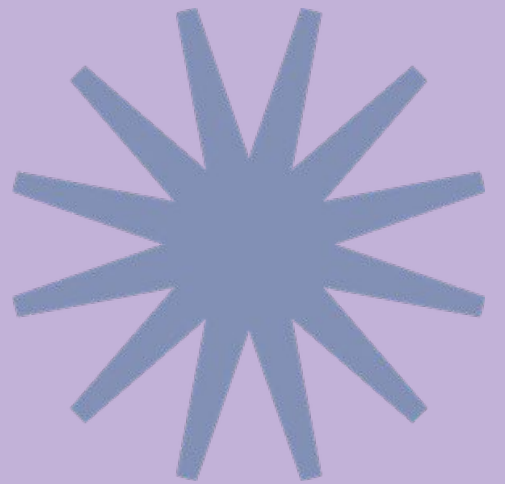
2 Timothy 3:12-13

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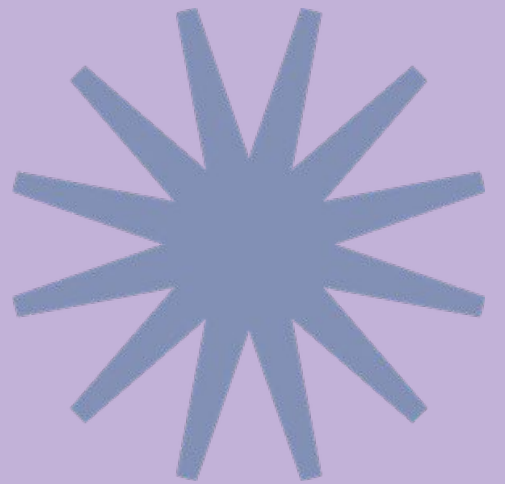
2 Timothy 3:14-17

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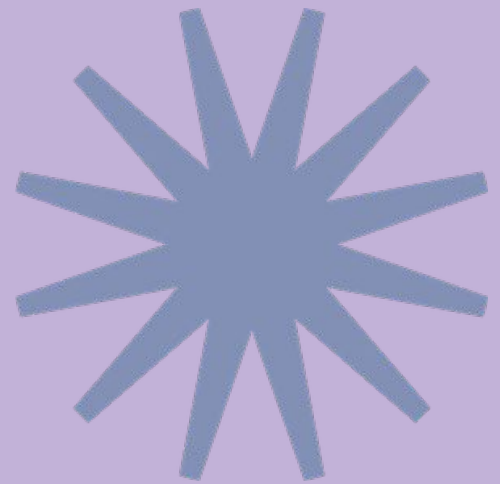
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The Command to Keep Going

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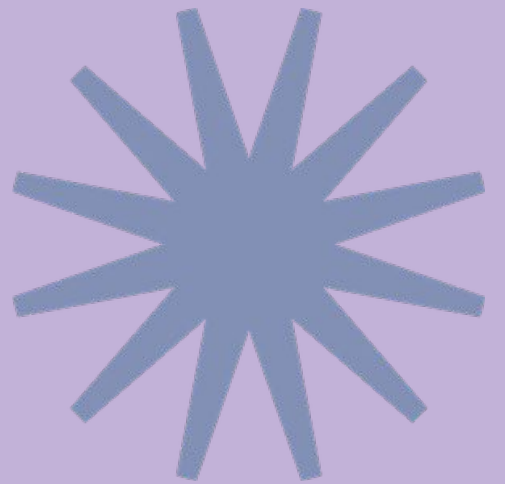


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1. Because of the Example of Others

knowing from **whom** you learned it...

2 Tim 3:14b

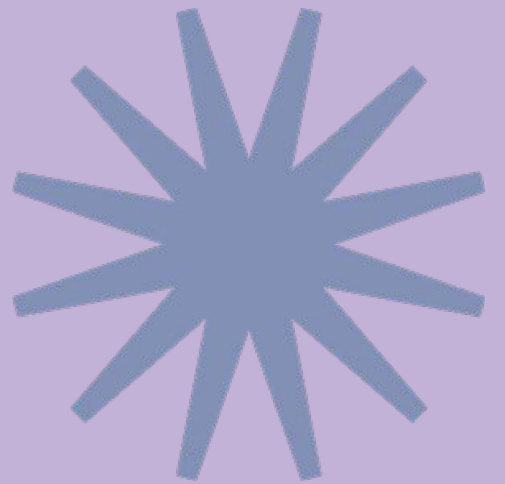


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2. Because of the Outcome of Faith

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2 Tim 3:15

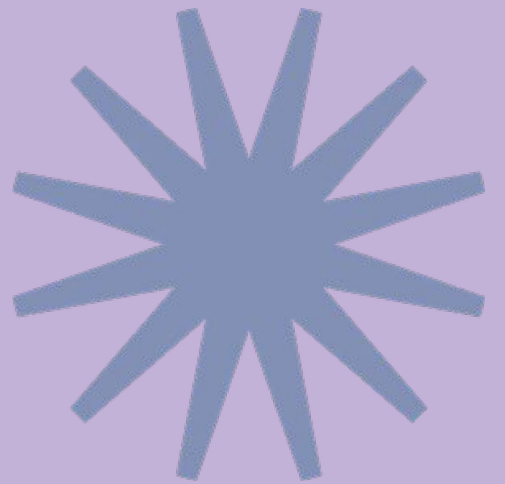


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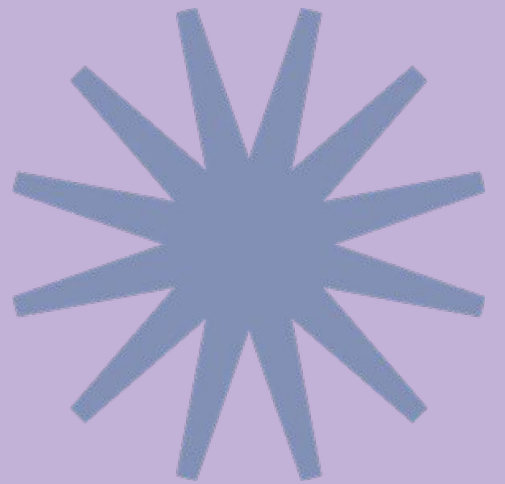
Part Two: Preach the Word

2 Timothy 4:1-5

1. The Charge to Preach

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preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching.

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Preach - kēryssō

- to announce, to make known, proclaim aloud

Teach - didaskō

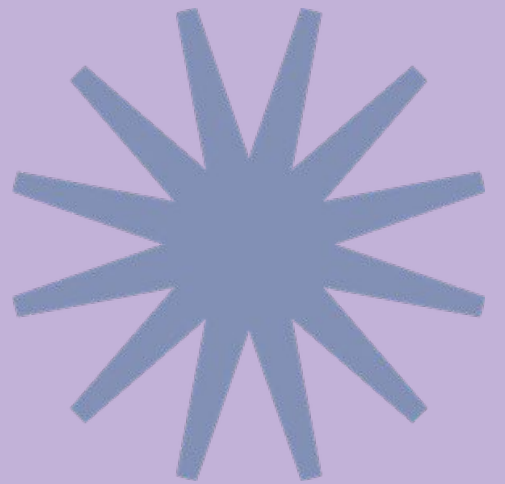
- to tell someone what to do, tell, instruct

Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature

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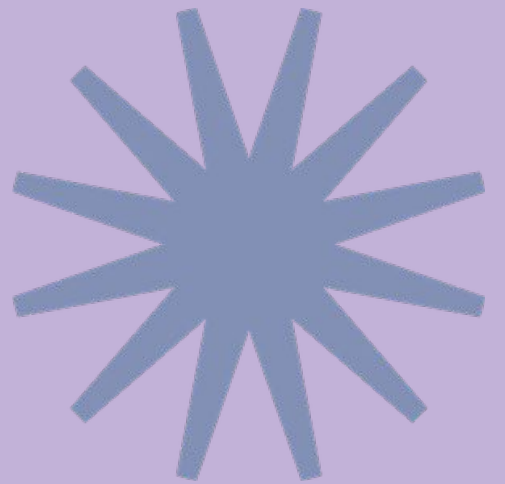
2 Timothy 2:8

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead,
descended from David. This is my gospel. (NIV)

2. The Reason to Preach

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, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths.

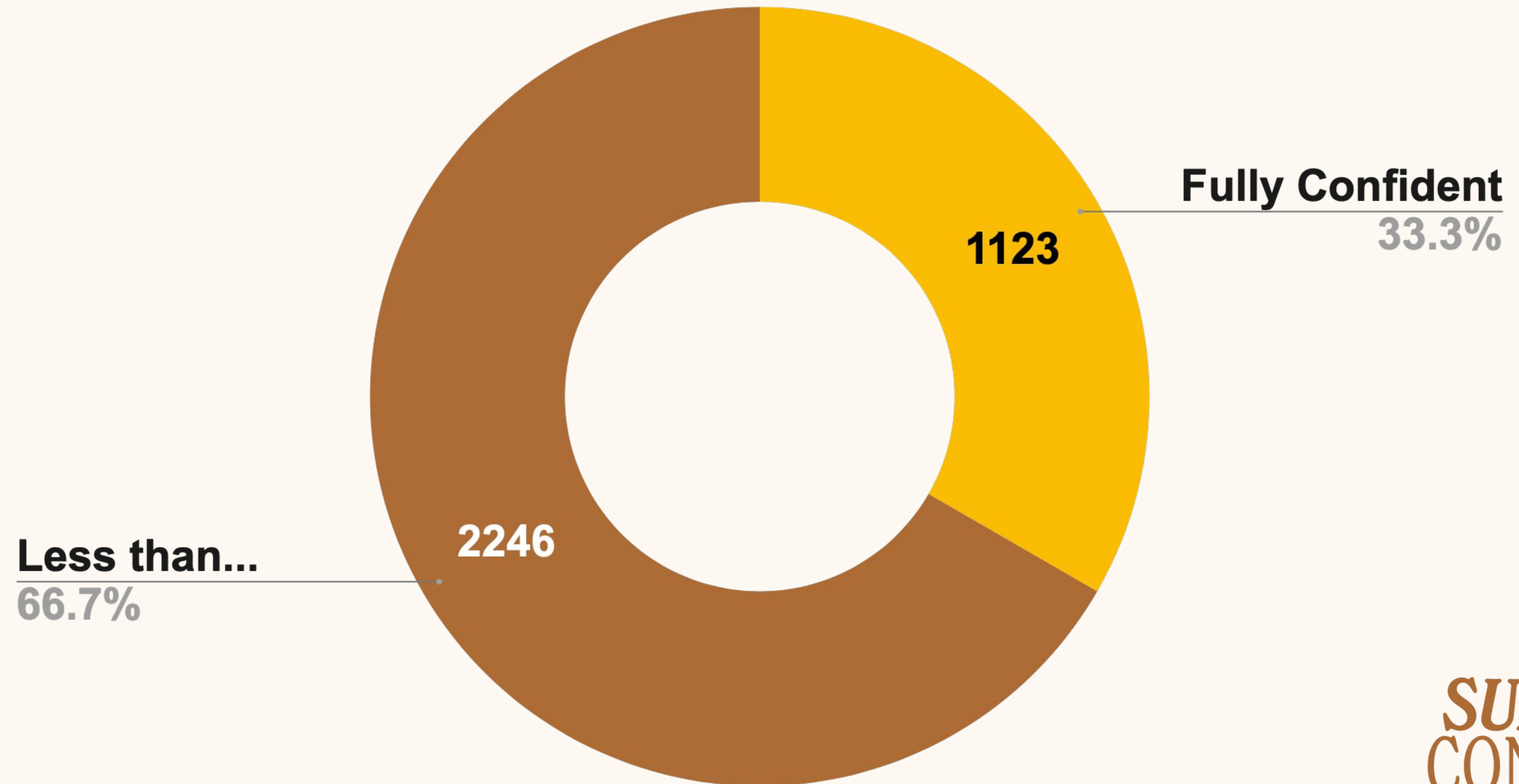
2 Tim 4:3



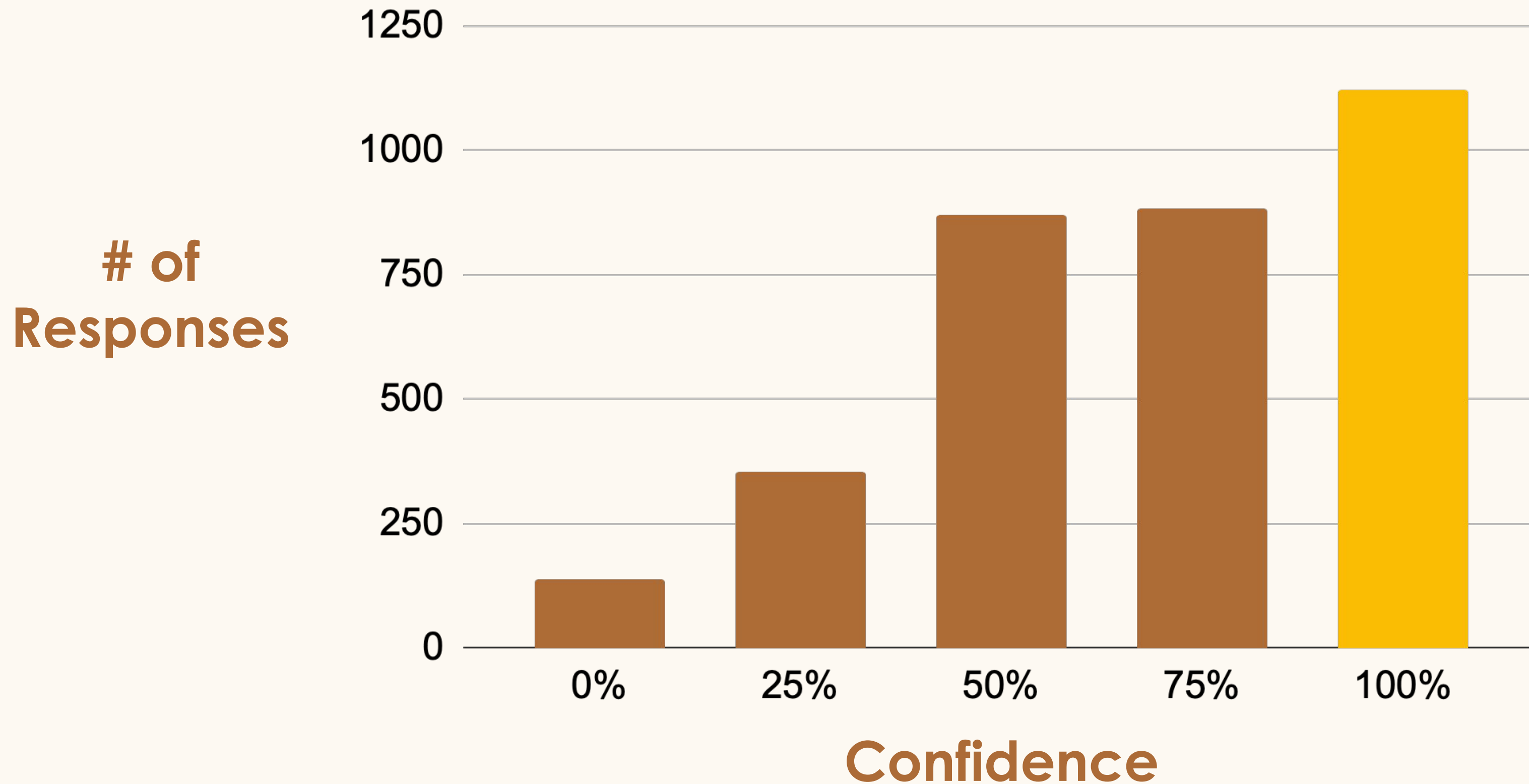




Christians: How confident are you that you would go to heaven?



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What is the reason for the confidence you have?

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“I believe I am genuinely a good and caring person.”

AUT Akoranga Student

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What is the reason for the confidence you have?

8/10

“Church attendance every Sunday, well behaved, don’t do party and drugs.”

AUT City Student



What is the reason for the confidence you have?

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“hopeful yet doubtful if what I have done is enough...”

Waikato University Student

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What is the reason for the confidence you have?

10/10

“Because I believe that Jesus Christ is my Lord and savior and that Jesus died for my sins.”

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What is the reason for the confidence you have?

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“He died for us, duh.”

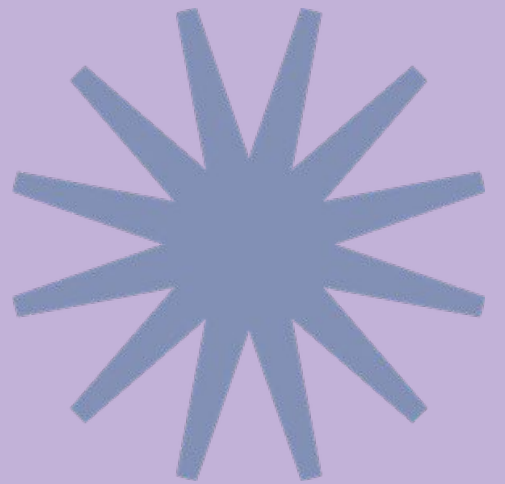
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3. Posture for Preaching

But as for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

2 Tim 4:5



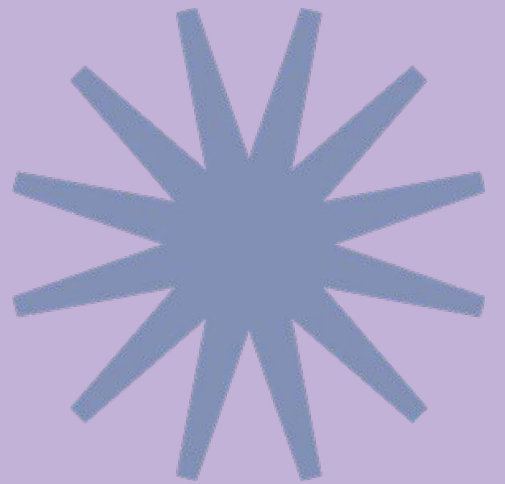
Part Three: Until the Work is Done

2 Timothy 4:6-8

Finish the Race

For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

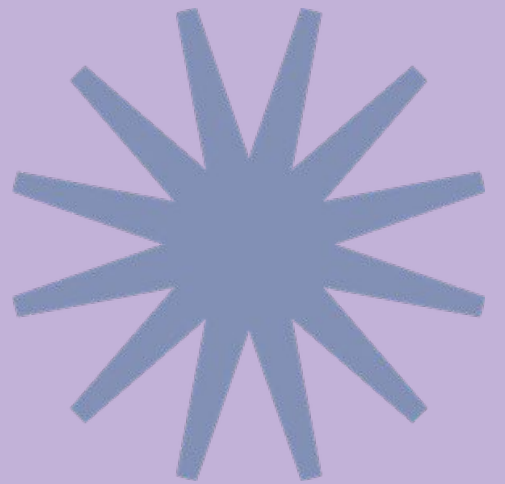
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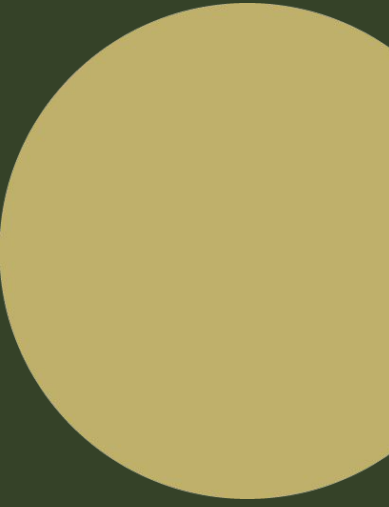


The Crown of Righteousness

Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

2 Timothy 4:8





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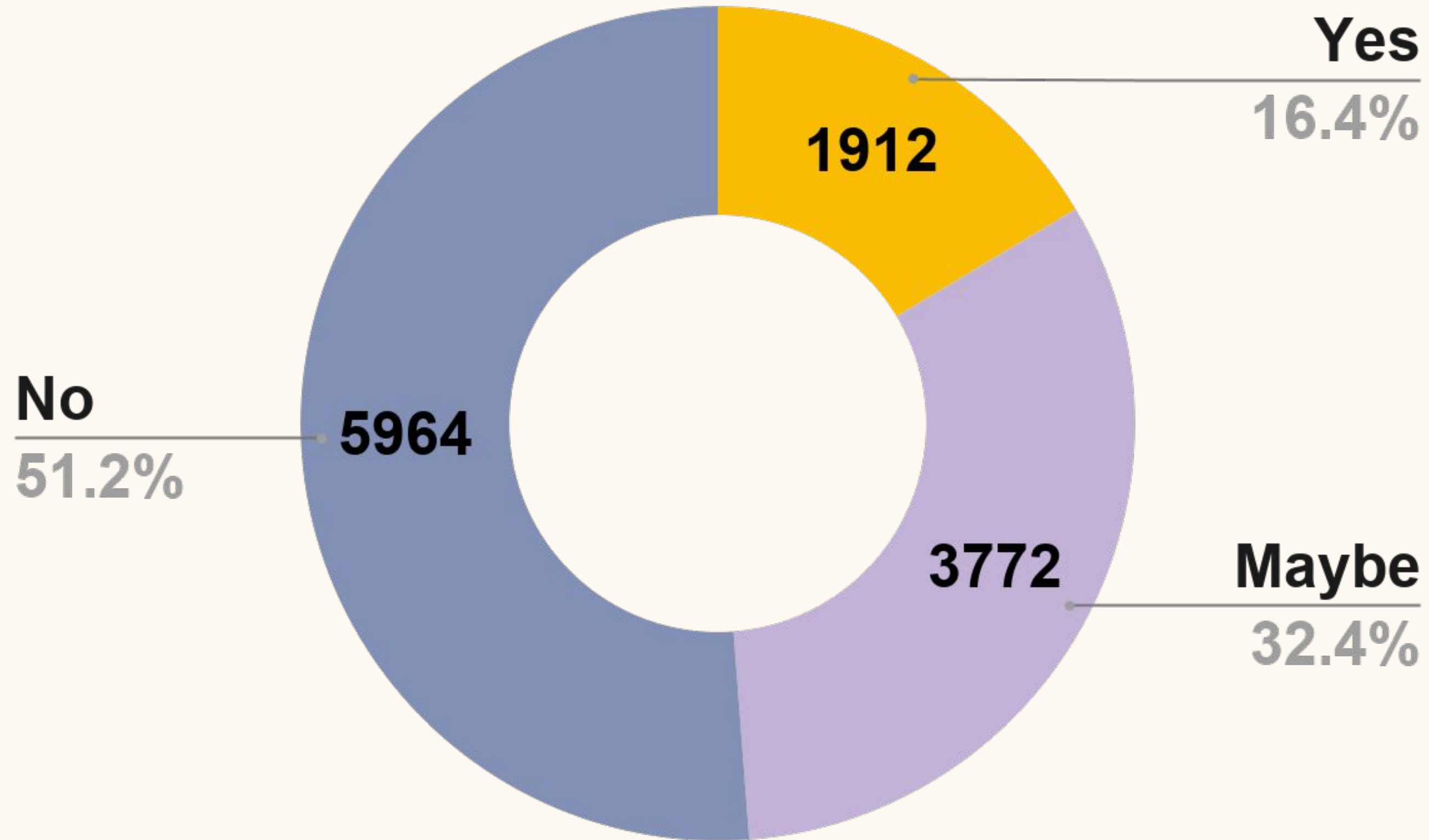
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Would you like to have a chat about knowing Jesus?



Former Disciples

You are aware that all who are in Asia turned away from me, among whom are Phygelus and Hermogenes.

2 Timothy 1:15

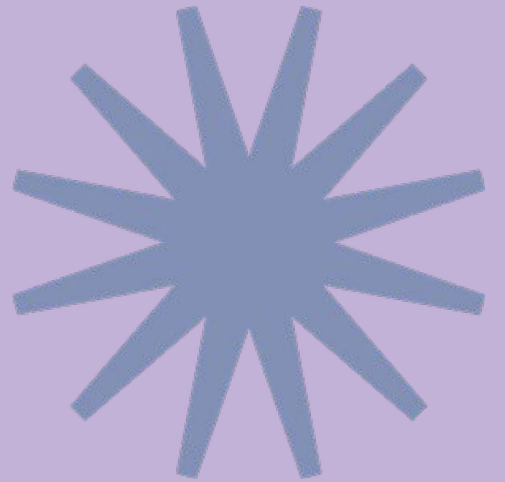
“Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me...”

2 Timothy 4:10

1. Stay Faithful - Because of Paul's Example

You, however, have ***followed*** my teaching, my conduct...

2 Timothy 3:10

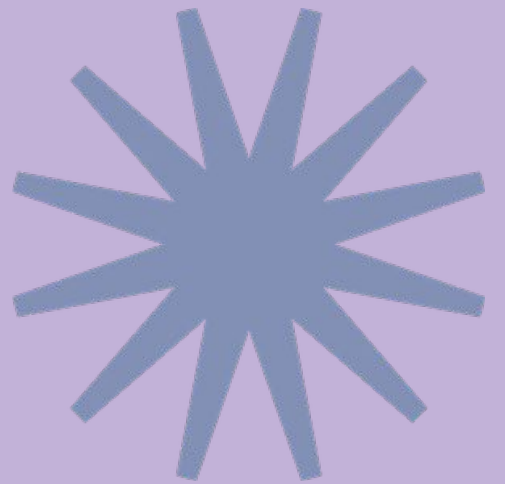


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