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2 Timothy 3:10-11a (ESV)
1. You, however, have followed my teaching

TEACHING = instruction or doctrine

2 Timothy 2:2 – “...entrust to faithful men who would be able to teach others also...”
2. You, however, have followed my **conduct**

CONDUCT = Paul’s lifestyle and pattern of living

Philippians 1:27 – “Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ...”
8 Essentials For Discipleship

3. You, however, have followed my aim in life

AIM IN LIFE = driving passion, personal motivation for service

1 Corinthians 9:16 – “For when I preach the gospel, I cannot boast, since I am compelled to preach. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel.”
4. You, however, have followed my faith

FAITH = living out the truth professed; faithfulness is only proven when required.

Romans 1:17 – “...just as it is written: ‘The righteous will live by faith.’”
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5. You, however, have followed my patience

PATIENCE = a persistence kind of patience that implies challenging circumstances and suffering

1 Timothy 1:16 – “But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life.”
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6. You, however, have followed my love

LOVE = agape love, volitional, purposeful, unselfish

1 Corinthians 13:13 – “And now these three remain: faith, hope, and love. But the greatest of these is love.”
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7. You, however, have followed my steadfastness

STEADFASTNESS = perseverance and endurance under trial

2 Corinthians 6:4 – “In everything we do, we show that we are true ministers of God. We patiently endure troubles and hardships and calamities of every kind.”
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PERSECUTIONS AND SUFFERINGS = “put to flight” as a result of proclaiming the Gospel

2 Corinthians 12:10 – “For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weakness, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.”
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...my persecutions and sufferings that happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra—which persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. 12 Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, 13 while evil people and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived.

2 Timothy 3:11-13 (ESV)
Paul’s Persecutions And Sufferings

At Antioch  Drove Paul out  Acts 13:49-50
At Iconium  Tried to stone Paul  Acts 14:2-5
At Lystra    Stoned Paul         Acts 14:19
Paul’s Persecutions And Sufferings

At Antioch

And the word of the Lord was spreading throughout the whole region. ⁵₀ But the Jews incited the devout women of high standing and the leading men of the city, stirred up persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and drove them out of their district.

Acts 13:49-50 (ESV)
Paul’s Persecutions And Sufferings

At Iconium

But the unbelieving Jews stirred up the Gentiles and poisoned their minds against the brothers.\(^3\) So they remained for a long time, speaking boldly for the Lord, who bore witness to the word of his grace, granting signs and wonders to be done by their hands.

Acts 14:2-3 (ESV)
Paul’s Persecutions And Sufferings

At Iconium (continued)

But the people of the city were divided; some sided with the Jews and some with the apostles. 5 When an attempt was made by both Gentiles and Jews, with their rulers, to mistreat them and to stone them, 6 they learned of it and fled to Lystra and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and to the surrounding country, 7 and there they continued to preach the gospel.

Acts 14:4-7 (ESV)
Paul’s Persecutions And Sufferings

At Lystra

But Jews came from Antioch and Iconium, and having persuaded the crowds, they stoned Paul and dragged him out of the city, supposing that he was dead. 20 But when the disciples gathered about him, he rose up and entered the city, and on the next day he went on with Barnabas to Derbe.

Acts 14:19-20 (ESV)
Paul’s Persecutions And Sufferings

Five times I received at the hands of the Jews the forty lashes less one. 25 Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I was stoned. Three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I was adrift at sea; 26 on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from robbers, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brothers...

2 Corinthians 11:24-26 (ESV)
...in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. 28 And, apart from other things, there is the daily pressure on me of my anxiety for all the churches.

2 Corinthians 11:27-28 (ESV)
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• Requires intentionality and investment
Common Challenges

• Long range concepts
• Spiritual disciplines are not easy
• Internal “heart” growth
• What we see and hear becomes what we say and do
Putting It Into Practice

Discipling Others (Paul):

• Who is your responsibility?
Putting It Into Practice

Family First:

• Parents
• Grandparents
• Future Parents
Putting It Into Practice

Discipling Others (Paul):

• Who is your responsibility?
• Who is within your reach?
Putting It Into Practice

Getting a fresh start (Paul):

• Start with a vertical relationship (you & God)
• Live a life worthy of imitation
• Pray about how to use your influence for Christ
• Say “I’ve noticed the Lord working in your life...”
• Ask for help when needed
Putting It Into Practice

Being discipled (Timothy):

• Who has God placed in your life?

• Whose spiritual life would you like to emulate?
Putting It Into Practice

Getting a fresh start (Timothy):

• Start with a vertical relationship (you & God)
• Pray for guidance
• Say: “I’ve seen things in your life that I admire...”
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Imagine A Future

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