SUNDAY A.M. FEBRUARY 5, 2017

SERMON: Are you Ready to Meet the Lord?

TEXT: 2 Timothy 4:6-8

Intro: 2 Timothy is Paul's last Will and Testament. He was sound in mind and body when penned, but short on time!

Context: 2 Timothy 1:5; 2:3; 3:1; 4:2,5 **Thesis:** To show the importance of self-examination for the purpose of preparation for the final judgment.

- 1. Paul examined his current existence and declared: "I am ready" (v.6).
- 2. Paul examined his history as a Christian & proclaimed: "I have fought...I have finished...I have kept" (v.7).
- 3. Paul examined his future hope and exclaimed: "There is... a crown for me" (v.8).

Con: Paul loved and looked for the Lord's return; thus, he lived righteously and served faithfully. If we do the same, our crown will be like his.

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