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“Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.”

# COURAGEOUS

Young people . Students . Friends  
I Timothy 4:12

## **I. The Deception (vs. 1-5)**

- A. The [Spirit](#) reveals the [future](#) apostasy – 2 Tim. 4:3-4
- B. [False](#) teachers will [pull](#) people away from truth/God – Eph. 6:12
- C. People will [abandon](#) “the faith” – [refuse](#) to stand – take your [hands](#) off
- D. We must “[point](#) these things out” (vs. 6) – literally to bring to [remembrance](#) – the truth
- E. [Reject](#) and [avoid](#) these false teachings (vs. 7) –  
[Recognize](#) - Reject - [Remove](#) yourself from them
- F. [Train](#) yourself to be “Godly”. – gymnazo – exercise and [discipline](#)

## **II. The Despising (vs. 12a)**

- A. [Put](#) down – [words](#) and actions
- B. [Think](#) down – attitudes and [dis-respect](#)
- C. Because of your [youthfulness](#) – young in [years](#)

## **III. The Declaration (vs. 12b)**

- A. Be an [Example](#) – typos – an impression to [copy](#) – worthy role model
- B. In [Speech](#)- logos – Matt. 15:18
- C. In [life](#) – lifestyle – anastrophe – way of life – behavior - avoid hypocrisy – walk the talk
- D. In [love](#) (agape) – compassion – [acts](#) of selflessness – love for [God](#) and love for [neighbor](#)
- E. In [Faith](#) – persuasion – [moral](#) conviction – [why](#) you live your life – [Christ](#) focused
- F. In [Purity](#) –hagneia – [striving](#) to be pure before God –

### Specific Suggestions:

1. Set [standards](#) beforehand – beware of isolation – [freedom](#) - exposure
2. Be [accountable](#) to someone else – Find someone locally to [trust](#)
3. Choose [friends](#) carefully – get involved in Christian [fellowship](#) early
4. Seek [wisdom](#) from Trusted people – [ask](#) questions – [listen](#) to answers
5. [Please](#) God – stand [firm](#) in the faith – study, [pray](#), worship, [serve](#)