## **The Urgency of the Word** 2 Timothy 4:1-4 *Greg Stiekes*

Paul presses upon Timothy the urgency of his mission to proclaim the Word of God. The critical importance of the ministry of the Word is emphasized in this passage in two ways:

1. The Urgency of the Call (2)

The urgency of the call is seen through the many imperatives Paul gives to Timothy:

- a. Preach the Word!
- b. Convince!
- c. Rebuke!
- d. Exhort!
- 2. The Urgency of the Times

There are *two reasons* why urgency is necessary:

- a. The imminent day of the rejection of sound doctrine (3-4)
- b. The imminent day of reckoning before God (1)