You're Weird 1 Tim 4:12

Anyone ever said that to you?

<u>Illus</u>: But I don't want to weird!

Who determines what is weird? 100 years ago, people who live like the world was the minority. They were Weird!

What is weird~ Peculiar. Titus 2:14; 1Pet 2:9 Ex 19:5

Strange; queer; odd:

Uncommon; unusual:

Distinctive in nature or character from others.

Belonging exclusively to some person, group, or thing

To be Treasured!

Why do we have to be different? Mark 9:2-3

At the Transfiguration, we get a glimpse of Christ's Glory. (1 Pet 1:15-16) Be ye Holy (Rom 8:29)

Don't give anyone a reason to criticize you! (1 Tim 4:12) "*Let no man*" - Don't give people the reason to "*despise*", or disdain our character, or call us immature, ignorant or unleaned. (Phil 2:13-15)(1 Tim 3:2)(2 Pet 3:14)

<u>"But"</u> vs 12 In contrast, the only way to keep people from lumping you in with all the other "Christians" and their sin is to be an example.

Matt 5:14-16 Who you really are will shine through!

Be Genuine! Be Real! When someone mocks you, they Mock God, because we are supposed to represent God. Well I don't want that kind of responsibility.

The world is looking for an excuse, don't give them one! (Titus 2:7-8) "Pattern of Good Works, nothing evil to say about you."

Be an Example of what a believer should be: "Be thou an example"

(2 Cor 5:20) An Ambassador of God

<u>Word</u>: What comes out your mouth. (Ja 3:10) Speaking out both sides of mouth. *Do you kiss your momma with that mouth* **Conversation: How you live!**

1 Tim 5:1-3, "How do you treat other" Employers, Coworker?

Charity: "Do you love people or are you selfish" 1 Cor 13:4-8

Spirit: the small "s" denotes that it is Attitude. Prov 17:27

<u>Illus</u>: Stinking Thinking! Check up from the Neck Up!

<u>Faith</u>: Are You Real? Are you a Fake? <u>Illus</u>: A Life of Worry!

(Heb 11:6) (2 Cor 5:7) a walk of faith

Purity: Are you Pure, Mind, Body, Spirit?

(2 Tim 2:19) Titus 2:4-5 "Discrete, chaste"

Give attendance to: vs 13

<u>Reading:</u> The Word of God – Read it! Daily Devotionals!

Illus:5 Min at Lunch! (Deut 6:6, Josh 1:8)

Exhortation: Heb 10:24-25 Fellowship & Church attendance

Are you a spiritual battery or a drain.

Do you suck the life out of people spiritually?

Do you lift them spiritually or drag them down.

Does the conversation get more spiritual or less?

Prophecy: Preaching – Pay attention, ask God to speak to you.

Neglect Not the Gifts that are in thee: Service to the Lord.

Vs 14 don't just sit there, get busy!

Meditate: Make these things apart of who you are. Vs 15,

Titus 2:4-8

<u>Decide Now:</u> "Give thyself wholly unto them"

Take Inventory of your Life: Does it lines up with His word.

Vs 16 "Take heed unto thyself."

2 Tim 2:22 Are you fleeing these things?

2 Tim 3:12 Are You suffering persecution?

<u>Continually do this</u>: For others are watching. Vs 16 "and them that hear thee."

Are You Weird? Or do you seem normal to this Lost World!