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I. Introduction.

- A. Text: II Timothy 2:2.
- B. We are called to ministry—to invest in others. (Ephesians 4:11-12)
- C. It is a mystery that God loved us.
- D. God wants us to be invested in and invest in others. We are to be channels.
- E. There are five suggestions for the kind of person one should invest.

II. Faithful.

- A. This is a loyal and reliable man. (Luke 16:10-12)
- B. We have to be faithful in that which is another's to prove we can be faithful in what is given to us.
- C. We need some evidence of faithfulness in our lives and others.

III. Available. (II Timothy 2:3-4)

- A. Men are entangled in things besides sin.
- B. This includes relationships, finances and activities.

IV. Interdependent.

- A. This is a healthy awareness of one's gifts and weaknesses as well as the strengths and weaknesses of others in the body.
- B. Need does not determine the will of God. (Luke 15)
- C. The determining factor is prayer.
- D. Be careful of dependency and independence.

V. Teachable. (Acts 18:24-28)

- A. The closest synonym to humble is teachable.
- B. We are to be subject to each other.
- VI. Committed to holiness. We need to deal with both filthiness of the flesh and filthiness of the spirit. (II Corinthians 7:1)

Application questions:
1. Why is it important to have some criteria for selecting men?
2. Which criterion do you think is the most important? Explain.
3. Which area would you like to work on the most? How can you go about doing this practically Explain.