Complete Consecration

- > Text: Il Timothy 4:6-8
- ▶ Intro:
 - o All Christians should live a consecrated life.
 - o However, many do not live a consecrated life.
 - o Some people will give their money but not themselves.
 - Together this morning let us look at the consecration of the Apostle Paul.
- > I. <u>CONFLICT</u>
 - o "I have fought a good fight."
 - o A. Against indifferences II Thess. 2:3
 - Too many people accept defeat too easily
 - o B. Against temptation I Cor. 10:13
 - Temptation like burns treat one nice and he'll return with many of his friends
 - o C. Against looseness I Cor. 9:27
 - Body must be brought under control discipline
 - o D. Against Satan Eph. 6:12
 - This is a daily battle, but Christ strengthens us for this
 - The Christian Life Is A Life For Strong People.
 - Those Who Are Willing To Fight

> II. <u>COMPLETE</u>

- o "I have finished MY course"
- o A. Obedient unto God's voice Acts 26:19
 - Reason for Paul' success he obeyed God's voice
- o B. Obedient unto God's will Acts 9:6
 - Can you say, "Not my will?" Necessary to say
- o C. Obedient unto God's call Acts 16:9
 - Many brought to Christ because he obeyed God

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• Are You Doing All God Wants You To?

> III. CONTINUING

- o "I have kept the faith"
- o A. Faithful in persecution II Cor. 11:25
 - He suffered perhaps more than any other man
- o B. Faithful in working Acts 20:24-27
 - What compassion and love for the lost
- o C. Faithful in suffering Gal. 6:17

- He bore in his body marks because of Christ
- o D. Faithful in going forward Phil. 3:13-14
 - He forgot his past failures and sins and went forward for Christ.
- > IV. <u>CROWN</u>
 - "Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness
 - A. After the conflict comes victory
 - B. After faithfulness comes reward
 - C. After the cross comes the crown
 - D. After work comes rest from our labors
- > <u>Conclusion</u>:
 - o Are you completely surrendered unto God?
 - Does He "have allof you?"
 - The greatest life to live is to give yourself 100 percent into the hands of God