



## **“A Prophecy of Apostasy”**

An Exposition of 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy  
1 Timothy 4:1-5 – Message 12

**Central Truth:** Paul begins this section by reminding Timothy that people will be led astray by spiritual forces that intentionally attempt to deceive believers. When this happens, and it will, it is not a reflection on Timothy or his ministry but a fulfillment of what was already foretold by the Spirit.

- I. The Persons Involved (4:1-2).
- II. The Error of their Teaching (4:3).
- III. Their Teaching Refuted (4:4-5).

### **Scriptures of the Week**

“See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deception, according to the tradition of men, according to the elementary principles of the world, rather than according to Christ. For in Him all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form, and in Him you have been made complete.”

**Colossians 2:8-10**