Being Good Stewards of God’s Word

I. Being Stewards of God’s Word.
   a. What is a steward? Someone who has full charge of the things their master has given them.
   b. A good steward must first _________ his heart. (Ezra 7:10)
   c. Why must we be stewards of God’s Word?
      i. Power of God to ____________ (Romans 1:16)
      ii. It is _______ and __________. (Hebrews 4:12)
      iii. It lights our path. (Psalm 119:105)

II. What is the conduct of a bad steward of God’s Word?
   a. A bad steward will not allow the Word in his ________. (Ezra 7:10; Matt. 13:4)
   b. A bad steward will ______ the Word for his own purposes. (2 Peter 3:16; 2 Timothy 4:3)
   c. A bad steward might preach the Word, but not with the proper _________. (Philippians 1:15-18; Matthew 28:19-20).

III. What is the conduct of a good steward of God’s Word?
   a. He _________ the Word with an open heart. (Matthew 13:8-9; Acts 2:41; 17:11-12; 1 Thessalonians 1:6; 2:13)
   b. He is _______ to the Word. (James 1:22; Matthew 7:21)
   c. He _________ the Word with others. (2 Timothy 2:2)
   d. He takes his ________ with the Word. (2 Timothy 4:2; 1 Peter 3:15-16)