

2 Timothy Chapter 2 verses 14 thru 26

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Chapter 2 This chapter deals with exhortation and endurance, which include example and principles. It also deals with orthodoxy (belief or customs) in relations to doctrine, teaching, and personal conduct.

Verse 14 – Paul instructs Timothy to put to memory those things heard of the apostle, who have suffered afflictions, endured hardships, all for the sake of Christ and the gospel. Commanding the hearers before a sovereign God that they argue not about the word or words because it is of no gain, but it subverts (undermine or weaken) those who are listening.

Verse 15 – Paul issues a command to Timothy to study God's Word so that he can present himself acceptable to God and not ashamed, but one that knows how to rightly use the Word of truth. Paul is telling Timothy to put in the effort so that he will be able to properly understand the Word of God.

Verse 16 – Paul tells Timothy to stay away from profane or ungodly conversation and useless chatter, because it will lead to greater ungodliness.

Verse 17 – Paul follows on from the prior verse by stating that the teaching of false doctrine and ungodly bickering will be like a cancer and will grow and do harm to the church like it did with Hymenaeus and Pilatus.

- 1 Timothy 1:20

Verse 18 – This verse represents a follow on from the prior verse by stating that Hymenaeus and Pilatus taught a false doctrine by saying that the literal resurrection had already past, which weaken and shattered the faith of some.

- 1 Corinthians 15:12

Verse 19 – **In Spite of that**, having knowledge of God gives the church a strong and solid foundation, one that is sealed by the fact that the Lord knows them that belong to Him, and those that acknowledge and profess the Name of Jesus must depart from evil.

- 1 Corinthians 3:11

Verse 20 – But in a huge house (the church) there exist different types of vessels (members), some of gold and silver (valuable and precious in the sight of God), and there are also vessels of wood (those void of the grace of God and are fit for the work of Satan), and there are those vessels of the earth (who are carnal and worldly minded and have no spirituality). Some vessels are to honor and some to dishonor.

- Romans 9:21

Verse 21 – But if a man should purge himself of the things that would cause him to be dishonored, then he shall be a vessel of honor, set aside and ready for God's use, and also prepared to do good work for the Kingdom

Verse 22 – Stay away from youthful lust (worldly desires) of the flesh, and follow after righteousness (behavior acceptable to God), faith (belief in God), charity (love), peace (holy serenity), with other believers that call on the Name of the Lord with a pure heart.

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Verse 23 – Stay away from discussion and arguments that make no sense, realizing that they cause strife (conflict and trouble).

Verse 24 – Know that the servant of the Lord (minister of the Word) must not struggle in opposition or argument of the word; but be kind to all and able to teach with patient and tolerant.

- Titus 3:2

Verse 25 – The servant of the Lord must be able to teach those who oppose sound doctrine with humility, in hope that the power of God if peradventure (possibly) will bring them to repentance by the knowledge of the truth.

Verse 26 – Hoping that those that oppose sound doctrine will be rescued from the traps of the devil, who have taken them captive by his deceptive lies to do his will.