

Bible Study

1st Timothy 6: 1-21

Objectives:

- To understand Christian employee/employer relationships.
- To understand how to be content in every circumstance.
- To understand how to fight the good fight of faith.

Summary

In the final chapter of 1st Timothy, Paul addresses the relationship between masters and servants. The equivalent in today's society would be the working relationship between employers and employees. As Paul gives instruction to the church, he encourages the church members to learn how to be content with what they possess. Paul then goes on to a charge to "Fight the good fight of faith;" and finally Paul informs Timothy to continue in sound doctrine.

Questions, Answers, and Discussions.

- Compare and contrast the slave/master relationship to the employee/employer relationship.
- Historically verses 1 & 2 were used to support and defend the horrible and heinous system of slavery in America. Please explain what these verses mean today.
- Should a Christian's conduct on the job be different than other employees?
- How does Paul describe false teachers? (3-5)

Matching

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| ___ Doctrine | d. a method of explaining Scripture. |
| ___ Apologetics | e. to be satisfied with things as they are. |
| ___ Blaspheme | c. a falling away or renunciation. |
| ___ Contentment | g. humility towards God. |
| ___ Exegesis | a. anything that is taught. |
| ___ Meekness | f. to speak with contempt about God. |
| ___ Apostasy | b. defending the faith. |

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- What are the blessings of contentment? (6-8)
 - What are some difficulties associated with riches? (9)
 - Why is the love of money the root of all evil? (10)
 - Instead of pursuing money what should we pursue? (11)
 - What is the good fight of faith? (12)

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- J. Explain Jesus' encounter with Pilate. (13)
- K. What was Timothy to keep until the appearing of the Lord? (14-15)
- L. What is a benediction? (16)
- M. What are Paul's instructions to the rich of this world? (17-19)
- N. What does Paul encourage Timothy to maintain? (20)

Lessons Learned from 1st Timothy

I learned the following:

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