

THE NOURISHMENT OF THE CHURCH (Via Sound Doctrine)

I. THE FOUNDATION OF THE CHURCH — THE PERSON AND FINISHED WORK OF JESUS CHRIST (Matthew 16:13-18)

II. THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH

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A. WHAT IS SOUND DOCTRINE? (1 Timothy 1:10; 2 Timothy 4:3; Titus 1:9, 2:11)

1. The phrase “sound doctrine” literally means _____.
2. The point of the “sound doctrine” is that it refers to the _____
_____ which results in _____.

* John 21:15-17; 1 Peter 2:2; Matthew 4:4

B. WHY IS SOUND DOCTRINE SO IMPORTANT?

1. Sound doctrine is essential for proper _____ and _____.
(2 Timothy 3:15-17)

* Where does it all start?

* What is first on the list?

* What can we learn from Paul’s epistolary teaching approach?

* Why don’t some believers ever get equipped for service?

* Is learning doctrine an end in itself?

2. Sound doctrine is to be the _____ for the faithful pastor-teacher.
(2 Timothy 4:1-4)

* What does God command the pastor to faithfully do?

* What happens when people no longer desire sound doctrine?

* If sound teaching is so important, why wouldn’t a believer want sound doctrine?

3. Sound doctrine is the means to spiritual _____. (Ephesians 4:11-16)
 - * What happens when there is a breakdown of all this?
 - * What needs to be coupled with hearing the Word of God?

4. Sound doctrine is necessary for the maintaining of _____ among believers. (1 Cor. 1:10)
 - * “But doesn’t doctrine divide?”
 - * “But doctrine will breakdown our fellowship with others.”

5. Sound doctrine has as its benchmark the _____, especially via Paul. (1 Timothy 1:8-11)
 - * How is this demonstrated in the book of Colossians?
 - * Galatians 1:6-9

6. Sound doctrine forms the basis for true _____. (John 4:23-24)
 - * What is worship?
 - * What does true worship require?
 - * What reasons did Jesus Christ give for rejecting the worship of the Pharisees?

Four Imbalances You Need To Avoid

- (1) Being content with the knowledge of doctrine _____ (which only puffs up), instead of mixing truth with _____ (which builds up). (1 Corinthians 8:1-2)
- (2) Being self-deceived through only _____ the Word of God, but not _____ it. (James 1:22)
- (3) Being satisfied with an understanding of God’s _____, but not _____ God regarding them. (Hebrews 4:2)
- (4) Being doctrinally sound, but not _____ and _____ in the Lord with real worship from the heart. (Psalm 19:14)