

Continue in the Things You Have Learned

2 Timothy 3:14,15 (KJV)

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Introduction

1. The experienced apostle Paul writes to the younger, rookie preacher to encourage him in his work.
2. This is an important word for you young people and for all of us for two reasons especially.

The Things Learned

1. What are these things you have learned and are assured of?
2. These things are more fully described in the text as:
 - a. The things you have learned from the time you were little children. 2 Timothy 3:15
 - b. All this you have learned is described in the text as the very content of your faith.

The High Calling

1. The entirety of your lives must be directed by this truth of God's Word you have learned.
 - a. The negative aspect implied by the word is, "Don't depart from it."
 - b. Positively, God's Word demands that we live our lives by continuing in the things we have learned.
2. The Word of God sets the bar high for us; the more you know of God and His truth, the more responsible you are to continue in truth and in godliness.

The Encouraging Reasons

1. First, "knowing of whom thou hast learned them."
 - a. Who is Paul speaking of here?
 - b. Why should this be a reason to continue in the things we have learned?
2. Second, these things are able to make us wise unto salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.