

OUR MARCHING ORDERS REGARDING FALSE TEACHING & TEACHERS (1 Timothy 1:18-20)

A. Instructions Concerning FALSE DOCTRINE and CHURCH DISCIPLINE. (1:3-20)

1. Our SPIRITUAL RESPONSIBILITY Concerning FALSE TEACHING and TEACHERS (vv. 18-20)

a. The CHARGE RECALLED (v. 18; cf. vv. 3-5)

1) In verse 18 (“This charge” – *paraggelia*), Paul _____ his instruction to Timothy regarding his “charge” (v. 3, *paraggellō*) or “command[ment]” (v. 5, *paraggelia*).

* *What is the nature of this charge?*

2) Specifically, Timothy was to charge certain Jewish false teachers in Ephesus not to _____ falsely and for the Ephesians not to _____ false doctrine. (vv. 3-5)

* *Why is forbidding false teaching necessary?* (cf. Titus 1:9-11)

* *What does this teach about the relationship between truth and love?* (1 Cor. 13:6; Eph. 4:15)

b. The RESPONSIBILITY of this CHARGE (v. 18)

1) The nature of this charge is that it is a _____ (*paratithemai*, cf. Luke 23:46; 2 Tim. 2:2).

2) Though this charge was entrusted to _____, by implication it’s also entrusted to _____.

c. The BASIS for the CHARGE ENTRUSTED to Timothy (v. 18)

1) Timothy’s giftedness for this pastoral ministry was:

- _____ directly to him by the _____ (1 Cor. 12:11),
- _____ through a spoken _____ (v. 18; 4:14),
- _____ publicly by certain _____ and _____ (4:14; 2 Tim. 1:6).

2) Timothy, like all of us, needed _____ to face spiritual conflict. (2 Tim. 1:6)

d. The PURPOSE of the CHARGE ENTRUSTED to US (v. 18)

- 1) The purpose of the charge entrusted to Timothy and us is that we would _____ (*strateuē*) the good _____ (*strateia*).

** How does the Lord look upon this battle?*

- 2) Every _____ in Jesus Christ is likened to a _____ in the Lord's army (Eph. 6:10-17; 1 Thess. 5:8; 2 Tim. 2:3-4; Rev. 19:14).

e. The FULFILLMENT of the CHARGE ENTRUSTED to US (v. 19)

- 1) We will only "wage a good warfare" by _____ faith and a good conscience.

- 2) _____ faith and a good conscience can lead to _____.

** How does this happen?*

** Is it possible for genuine believers not to persevere in faith to the end of their lives?*

f. The NEED or OCCASION of the CHARGE (v. 20)

- 1) The false teachers are identified as _____ (2 Tim. 2:17) and _____ (2 Tim. 4:14).

** What does this verse teach about the practice of "naming names"?*

- 2) These unrepentant false teachers had been delivered to Satan in the sense of being _____ or barred from the fellowship of the church. (cf. 1 Cor. 5:1-13)

** What are the purposes of this practice according to the Bible?*

** How does all of this apply to you?*