- Truth sets us free Jn 8:32 and 2 Co 3:16

- Truth has a practical manifestation 3 Jn 1:4
- The contentment of godliness αὐταρκείας to be self-supplied or satisfied. Phil 4:9-13

• Heavenly-mindedness vs 7-8

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CONCLUSION: the hallmark of embracing the Gospel

- 1. Test yourself: where is your doctrine leading you?
- 2. Test yourself again: Where is your treasure?
- 3. Are you satisfied? Heb 13:5.

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August 16, 2009

Announcements:

- 1. Please remember to <u>enter quietly</u> into the worship room and prepare yourself to meet with your God as the church gathers.
- Tonight: Martin Banzhaf, Missions Coordinator for Ligonier Ministries will be preaching for us. Church members, you are kindly asked to make every effort to attend
- 3. **Visitors**, please make sure to take with you a visitor's packet. If you kindly fill a visitor's card, please deposit it on the offerings plate
- 4. **Offerings** in our church are voluntary and part of our worship to God; please do not feel compelled to deposit any money 2 Co 9:7 reminds us that: "Let each one do just as he has purposed in his heart; not grudgingly or under compulsion; for God loves a cheerful giver"
- 5.
- 6. 7.
- 8. Word of Truth, Cornerstone Bible Church Radio Program airs on Saturdays from 3 to 4 PM & 12 to 1 PM on WMCU 1080 AM

Order of worship:

Call To Worship: Psalm 24 Hymn 502 "Rejoice Give Thanks and Sing" vs. 1,2, 5 and 6 Scripture Reading: Luke 12:49-59 Intercessory Prayer Offering Song "Jesus is Lord" Song "Be Exalted" Sermon

1 Timothy Part 27 - 1 Tim 6:3-12 Persevering in Truth

Introduction: whether it began with Greek philosophers BC or with Thomas Hume in the 1600's, we live in a culture that has embraced **moral relativism**

Link: The Bible is not that open. John 14:6

Our text in I Timothy 6 reminds us of the absolute and exclusive nature of Gospel truth. 1 Timothy 6:3-12

Thesis: a final exhortation to identify error, and to persevere in truth.

- Outline:
- I The **marks** of false doctrine: vs 3
- II The **character** of false teachers: vs 4-5
- III The hallmarks of having the truth: vs 7-8

Context: Paul is starting to wrap-up his instructions to Timothy

Hist.: The church in Ephesus was being influenced false teachers, who taught Jewish myths and traditions note **Rev 2:2**

I - The marks of false doctrine: vs 3

3 If anyone <u>advocates a different doctrine</u>, and <u>does not agree with sound words</u>, those of our Lord Jesus Christ, and with the <u>doctrine conforming to godliness</u>

- a) It is different: ἑτεροδιδασκαλεῖ
- b) It is discordant: "does not agree
- c) It is delinquent: it does "not conform to godliness"

Test: εὐσέβειαν διδασκαλία Eusebia (devotion, holiness) Orthodoxy leads to Ortho-praxis.

Illust: Paul's letters / imperatives based on indicatives

II - The character of false teachers: vs 4-5

... if anyone advocates a different doctrine... 4 he is **conceited** and **understands nothing**; but he has a **morbid interest in controversial questions** and disputes about words, out of which arise envy, strife, abusive language, evil suspicions, 5 and constant friction between **men of depraved mind** and **deprived of the truth**, who suppose that godliness is a means of gain.

- <u>Arrogance: τετύφωται</u>, lit. "wrapt in smoke"; JFB Commentary "He is proud—filled with the fumes of self-conceit."
- Ignorance: μηδέν ἐπιστάμενος, He doesn't know a thing!
- <u>Defiance</u>: they are **controversial**; λογομαχίας (war on words).
- Their mind is depraved and they are deprived of the truth: **2 Ts 2:10**
- <u>Greed</u>: they are <u>covetous</u>. A consequence of the above

Transition: Conversely, truth has its signature

III - The hallmarks of having the truth: vs 6-8

6 But godliness actually is a means of great gain, when accompanied by contentment. 7 For we have brought nothing into the world, so we cannot take anything out of it either. 8 And if we have food and covering, with these we shall be content.

Three distinguishable marks of having the truth

- a) Godliness (GOD-LIKENESS): "Godliness is great gain"
- b) <u>Contentment</u>:
- c) <u>Heavenly-mindedness</u>:
- **Godliness = piety** (being or looking like God). Comp **Acts 4:13** - Truth is always sanctifying. Jn 17:17