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Introduction:

I. A GOOD TEACHER WARNS PEOPLE ACCURATELY FROM SCRIPTURE (vs. 14-15)

A. He warns people about teaching that has no value. (vs. 14)

“remind them of these things”

“and solemnly charge them in the presence of God...”

“not to wrangle about words, which is useless and leads to the ruin of the hearers”

I Timothy 1:6; 6:3-5, 20-21; Acts 20:29-31

II Timothy 2:23-24

B. He handles the Word of God with careful exegesis. (vs. 15)

“be diligent to present yourself approved to God”

“as a workman who does not need to be ashamed”

I John 2:28

“accurately handling the word of truth”

exegesis =

improper use: ❶ _____

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three tests: ❶ _____

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II. A FALSE TEACHER LEADS PEOPLE AWAY FROM SCRIPTURE (vs. 16-19)

A. He plays loose with false teaching. (vs. 16-18)

“but avoid worldly and empty chatter”

“for it will lead to further ungodliness”

II Timothy 3:8-9

“and their talk will spread like gangrene”

“among them are Hymenaeus and Philetus, men who have gone astray from the truth saying that the resurrection has already taken place...”

II Timothy 2:25-26 (I Timothy 1:20)

“and they upset the faith of some”

B. He dabbles in sin himself. (vs. 19)

“nevertheless, the firm foundation of God stands...”

Illustration: Korah's rebellion - Num. 16

“having this seal, ‘The Lord knows those who are His’ ”

“and, ‘Everyone who names the name of the Lord is to abstain from wickedness.’ ”

Conclusion: All “who are His [must] abstain from wickedness” because...

- 1) it ruins the hearers (vs. 14b)
- 2) it brings shame on the teacher (vs. 15)
- 3) it leads to ungodliness (vs. 16)
- 4) it spreads rapidly (vs. 17a)
- 5) it destroys the faith of some (vs. 17b-18)
- 6) it characterizes those who do not belong to the Lord (vs. 19)

Food for Thought:

- 1) Is the work of the ministry the job of the pastor? How do others share in this responsibility?
- 2) Why does it seem that false teaching spreads more easily and quickly than sound doctrine?
- 3) What kinds of disputes are worthwhile for the Christian to engage in? What kinds are not?
- 4) What must you do that you will not be ashamed when you stand before the Lord?