

Matthew (tax collector)



- **Written to the Jews**
- **Stresses fulfilled prophecy**
- **Jesus is KING & has kingdom**
- **Matthew is easily outlined**

Mt. 4:17-16:20 –

Kingdom is coming

Mt. 16:21-28:20 –

**The way to the cross,
Jesus' resurrection,
The Lord's authority**

Mark (Barnabas' cousin)



- **First account of Jesus' life?**
- **Shortest account**
- **For Gentiles versus Jews**
- **Quickness of action**
- **Explains true discipleship**
- **Mark was part of 1st Mis. Jo.**
- **Mark "turned back"**
(Acts 13:13; 15:39; 2 Tim. 4:11)
- **Jesus is "all powerful Son"**
- **Stress on Jesus' miracles**

Luke (a doctor)



- Doctor and a Gentile
- Greek is very polished
- Maybe convert to Judaism
- Also wrote Acts (sequel)
- Records birth John The Bap.
- Event Jesus' childhood
- Longest book in the NT
- Traveled with Paul

Theme in Luke: *Jesus brings good news for all*

John (an apostle)



- **Very unique book**
- **Some key characters ...**
- **Miracles are called “signs”**
- **7 unique miracles (signs)**
- **No birth/early years info**
- **No parables**
- **No demon possession**
- **No institution of communion**
- **The “Word” becomes “flesh”**
- **7 “I am” statements by Jesus**

Acts (sequel to Luke)



- 2d longest book in the NT
- “Be my witnesses” (Acts 1:8)
- Covers about 30 years
- Work of the Holy Spirit
- Mainly focuses Peter and Paul
- Gospel → Jerusalem to Rome
- Conversion open to all
- How to become a Christian
- Triumph of the gospel

Romans (Saving sinners)



- **Written by Paul**
- **Longest of Paul's letters**
- **Major doctrinal truths –**
 - **Sin condemns all (Ch. 1-3)**
 - **We cannot save ourselves**
 - **Salvation open to all**
 - **Faith versus ancestry**
 - **Faith versus good works**
 - **Faith is “obedient” 1:5; 16:26**
 - **Saved to be “living sacrifice”**

1st Corinthians – Problem church



- Paul – about 18 months @ Corinth
- 1 Cor. 1:11 - *For it hath been signified unto me concerning you, my brethren, by them (that are of the household) of Chloe, that there are contentions among you.*
- Factions, lawsuits, meat & idols
- Abuse of Lord's Supper
- Marriage problems
- False apostles & false doctrine
- Disorderly assemblies

1st Corinthians – Problem church



- Earlier letter (1 Cor. 5:9)?
- 1 Cor. 5:9 - *I wrote unto you in my epistle to have no company with fornicators;*
- Lk. 1:1 - *Forasmuch as many have taken in hand to draw up a narrative concerning those matters which have been fulfilled among us,*

1st Corinthians – Problem church



- **1st Cor. written about 3 years after Paul left Corinth.**
- **Letter begins with factions**
- **Division rebuked for we are “all brethren” (Mt. 23:8)**
- **Division led to false wisdom (1 Cor. 1-2)**
- **We are facing a similar problem**

1st Corinthians – Problem church



Gal. 1:6-9

- ***“Like growing numbers of public high school students across the country, many California kids are receiving classroom instruction in how race, class, gender, sexuality and citizenship status are tools of oppression, power and privilege.”***

1st Corinthians – Problem church



- Students at schools in Anaheim, San Jose, Oakland, and San Francisco are taught how to write a manifesto to school administrators listing “demands” for reforms. Some conduct a grand jury investigation to determine who was responsible for the genocide of the state’s Native Americans....

1st Corinthians – Problem church



- And one class holds a mock trial to determine which party is most responsible for the deaths of millions of native Tainos: Christopher Columbus, the soldiers, the king and queen of Spain, or the entire European system of colonialism.

1st Corinthians – Problem church



- **16-year-old Greta Thunberg** chastised world leaders at the U.N. with a passionate speech on global warming.

Why it's challenging: The Swedish teen activist drew criticism from political pundits for her fiery speech and borderline disrespect for her audience. She even exchanged Twitter barbs with President Donald Trump. Whether you agree or disagree with her climate change position, one thing must be admired: her courage.

1st Corinthians – Problem church



- 1 Cor. 3:1: *And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, as unto babes in Christ.*

2 I fed you with milk, not with meat; for ye were not yet able (to bear it): nay, not even now are ye able;

for ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you jealousy and strife, are ye not carnal, and do ye not walk after the manner of men?

1st Corinthians – Problem church



- 1 Cor. 4:3 - *“But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgment: yea, I judge not mine own self.”*
- 1 Cor. 5:1 – *“It is actually reported that there is fornication among you, and such fornication as is not even among the Gentiles, that one (of you) hath his father's wife.”*

1st Corinthians – Problem church

Lawsuits in the church



- 1 Cor. 6:1 –

“Dare any of you, having a matter against his neighbor, go to law before the unrighteous, and not before the saints?”

1 Cor. 16:13 – *“Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.”*

1st Corinthians – Problem church



1 Cor. 7:1-5 - Now concerning the things whereof ye wrote: It is good for a man not to touch a woman. 2 But, because of fornications, let each man have his own wife, and let each woman have her own husband. 3 Let the husband render unto the wife her due: and likewise also the wife unto the husband. 4 The wife hath not power over her own body, but the husband: and likewise also the husband hath not power over his own body, but the wife. 5 Defraud ye not one the other, except it be by consent for a season, that ye may give yourselves unto prayer, and may be together again, that Satan tempt you not because of your incontinency.

1st Corinthians – Problem church



- **1 Cor. 8:1 - Now concerning things sacrificed to idols ...**
- **Okay to buy/eat “used meat”**
- **1 Cor. 8:4 - we know that no idol is (anything) in the world, & that there is no God but one.**
- **Don't wound conscience of fellow Christian**

1st Corinthians – Problem church

1 Cor. 9 - Pay the Preacher



1st Corinthians – Problem church



- **1 Cor. 10-11 –**
- **Apostasy is possible (Israel)**
- **More meat sacrificed to idols**
- **Women and worship**
- **The Lord's Supper**
- **Immaturity!**

1st Corinthians – Problem church

- **1 Cor. 12-14**



- **1 Cor. 12:27 – “Now ye are the body of Christ, and severally members thereof. Spiritual gifts”**
- **Used gifts without love**
- **“Take turns” (1 Cor. 14:27)**
- **“Keep silent” (1 Cor. 14:28)**

1st Corinthians – Problem church



- 1 Cor. 15 –
- Many questions about the resurrection
- “Baptism for dead” (1 Cor. 15:29)
- “Else what shall they do that are baptized for the dead? If the dead are not raised at all, why then are they baptized for them?”
- 1 Cor. 15:58 – *“Wherefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord ...”*

2nd Corinthians – Paul's Vindication



- Learn more about Paul the apostle
- Joy and conflict in this letter
- Likely written shortly after 1 Cor.

Brief outline:

- **Chapters 1-7:**
 - Defense of Paul's ministry
- **Chapters 8-9:**
 - Contribution for Jerusalem
- **Chapters 10-13:**
 - Paul's opponents

2nd Corinthians – Paul’s Vindication



- 2 Corinthians 1 – “Comfort in affliction”
- “Affliction” is also used in 2 Cor. 1:8; 2:4; 4:17; 6:4; 7:4; 8:2

2 Cor. 1:4 – “who comforteth us in all our affliction, that we may be able to comfort them that are in any affliction, through the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.”

2nd Corinthians – Paul’s Vindication



2 Corinthians 1 – “Comfort in affliction”

- Why did Paul suffer?
- 2 Cor. 1:5 – “For as the sufferings of Christ abound unto us, even so our comfort also aboundeth through Christ.”
 - 2 Cor. 1:6 - But whether we are afflicted, it is for your comfort and salvation; or whether we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which worketh in the patient enduring of the same sufferings which we also suffer:

2nd Corinthians – Paul’s Vindication



2 Corinthians 1 – “Comfort in affliction”

- 2 Cor. 1:8-9 – “For we would not have you ignorant, brethren, concerning our affliction which befell (us) in Asia, that we were weighed down exceedingly, beyond our power, insomuch that we despaired even of life: 9 yea, we ourselves have had the sentence of death within ourselves, that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God who raiseth the dead:”
- *Rescued* (v. 10) with prayer (v. 11)

2nd Corinthians – Paul’s Vindication

2 Corinthians 2 – “Discipline”



- Follow-up to fornication in 1 Cor. 5.
- 2 Cor. 2:7-8 – “so that contrariwise ye should rather forgive him and comfort him, lest by any means such a one should be swallowed up with his overmuch sorrow. 8 Wherefore I beseech you to confirm (your) love toward him.”
- 2 Cor. 2:11 – A reason to forgive

2nd Corinthians – Paul’s Vindication

2 Corinthians 2 – “Discipline”



- 2 Cor. 2:10 – “Now when I came to Troas for the gospel of Christ, and when a door was opened unto me in the Lord,”
- Rev. 19:15 – “And out of his mouth proceedeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and *he shall rule them with a rod of iron:* and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness of the wrath of God, the Almighty.”

2nd Corinthians – Paul’s Vindication

2 Corinthians 2 – “Discipline”



- 2 Cor. 2:15-16
- “For we are a sweet savor of Christ unto God, in them that are saved, and in them that perish;”
- “to the one a savor from death unto death; to the other a savor from life unto life. And who is sufficient for these things?”

2nd Corinthians – Paul’s Vindication

2 Corinthians 3 – “Paul’s Ministry”



- 2 Cor. 3:2-3 -
- 2 Ye are our *epistle*, written in our hearts, *known and read of all men*;
- 3 being made manifest that *ye are an epistle of Christ*, ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in tables (that are) hearts of flesh.

2nd Corinthians – Paul’s Vindication

2 Corinthians 3 – “Paul’s Ministry”



- 2 Cor. 3:7 – “engraved stones”
- 2 Cor. 3:7 – “Moses”
- 2 Cor. 3:7 – “Israel”
- **THESE WERE THE 10 COMMANDMENTS**

- Notice “passing away” in 2 Cor. 3
- “Passing away” is used multiple times
- Count the times in 2 Cor. 3:7-13
- Notice what follows the last “passing away” in 2 Cor. 3:13 – **verse 14!**

2nd Corinthians – Paul’s Vindication

2 Corinthians 3 – “Paul’s Ministry”



- 2 Cor. 3:14-16 –
- 2 Cor. 3:14 - but their minds were hardened: for until this very day at the reading of *the old covenant* the same veil remaineth, it not being revealed (to them) that it *is done away in Christ*.
- 15 “But unto this day, whensoever Moses is read, a veil lieth upon their heart.”
- 16 “But whensoever it shall turn to the Lord, the veil is taken away.”

2nd Corinthians – Paul’s Vindication

2 Corinthians 4 – “Living Sacrifices”



- 2 Cor. 4:1 – “We do not quit”
- 2 Cor. 4:2 – Faithful to God’s Word
- Hold to the “truth” (4:2)
- “In the sight of God” (4:2b).
- Some do not want the truth (2 Cor. 4:3)
- Devil blinds people (2 Cor. 4:4)
- Age does not deter us (4:16)

2nd Corinthians – Paul’s Vindication



2 Corinthians 4 – “Living Sacrifices”

- 2 Cor. 4:17-18
- 17 For our light affliction, which is for the moment, worketh for us more and more exceedingly an eternal weight of glory;
- 18 while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.

**“Millennials
crave
magic and
meaning”**



Galatians – *Any gospel other than Christ's is a Satanic gospel*



- Current interest in the occult
- <https://bit.ly/321KOGD>
- **“The hashtag #witchesofinstagram is tearing through social media, with over 3.4 million posts.”**
- **“The more digital we are, the more we long for sensory experiences”**
- **Deut. 18:9-12; Acts 8:11-24; 16:16, etc.**

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Prosperity gospel

- 2 Cor. 12:7-10; Lazarus (Lk. 16)
- 2 Cor. 11:8 – “I robbed other churches, taking wages (of them) that I might minister unto you;”

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2 Cor. 11:24-27 - Of the Jews five times received I forty (stripes) save one. 25 Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day have I been in the deep; 26 (in) journeyings often, (in) perils of rivers, (in) perils of robbers, (in) perils from (my) countrymen, (in) perils from the Gentiles, (in) perils in the city, (in) perils in the wilderness, (in) perils in the sea, (in) perils among false brethren; 27 (in) labor and travail, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness.



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Social justice gospel

- **Isa. 1:17** - learn to do well; seek justice, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.
- **Prov. 31:8-9**
- **Mt. 25:35-40**



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Gospel of immorality



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George Orwell –

a novelist, essayist and critic best known for his novels *Animal Farm* and *Nineteen Eighty-Four*. He was a man of strong opinions who addressed some of the major political movements of his times.

“The further a society drifts from the truth the more it will hate those who speak it.”



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- “ISMs”
- Materialism, agnostic, atheism, denominationalism
- “I am a good person and thus right with God” gospel.
- There is the “self-esteem” gospel.
- There is the “be yourself” and “be as you feel” gospel.
- There is the “Jesus is *A* way but not *THE* way gospel.”
- There is the “church of your choice” gospel.

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Gal. 1:8 – “But though we, or an angel from heaven, should preach unto you any gospel other than that which we preached unto you, let him be anathema.”



Galatians – Key points from this 6 chapter book



- Gal. 1:1 – Gospel is from God
- Gal. 1:4 – The world is evil & rescue
- Gal. 1:8 – All other gospels condemn
- Gal. 1:23 – Gospel changes lives
- Gal. 2:5 – Paul defended the gospel
- Gal. 2:11 – Christians were corrected
- Gal. 2:20 – “Crucified with Christ”
- Gal. 3:11 – Live by faith
- Gal. 3:27 – Baptism = new life (Rom. 6:4)
- Gal. 4:17 – False teachers
- Gal. 5:1, 13 – Stay free & don’t misuse it

Galatians – Key points from this 6 chapter book



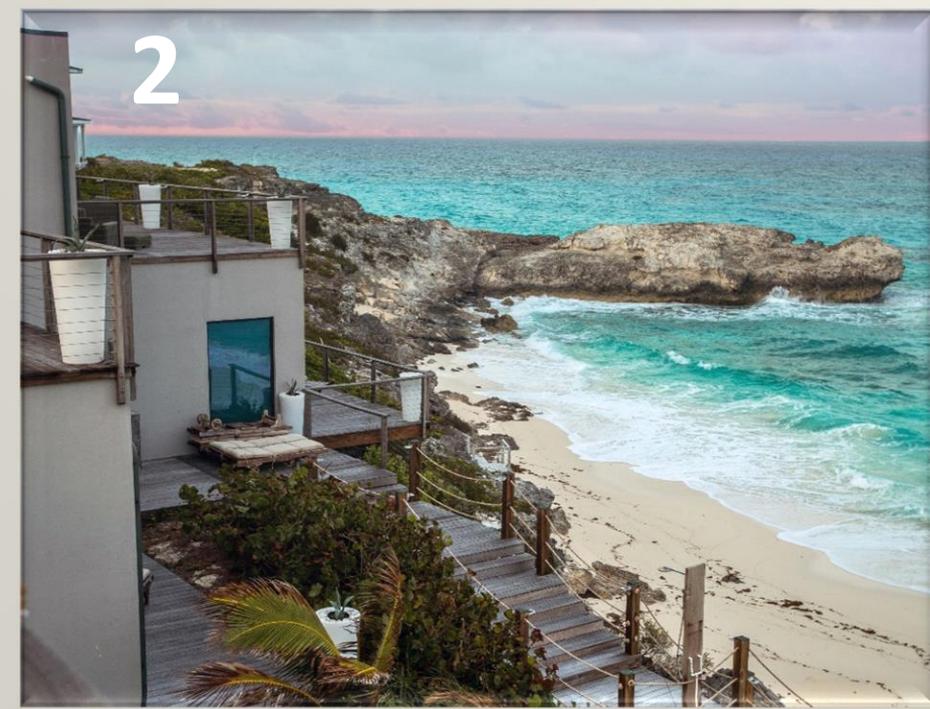
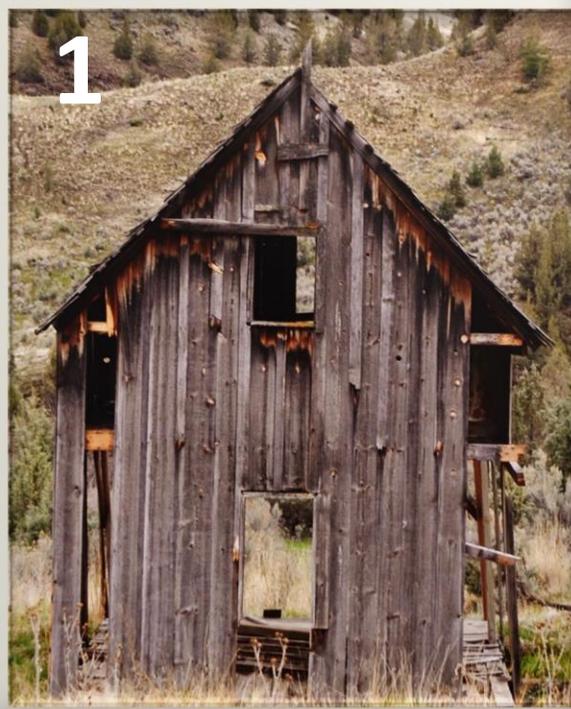
- Gal. 5:14 – Love your neighbor
- Gal. 5:15 – Don't ravage one another
- Gal. 5:19-21 – Avoid works of the flesh
- Gal. 5:22-23 – Have the fruit of the Spirit
- Gal. 5:26 – Do not envy others
- Gal. 6:1 – Work to restore the fallen
- Gal. 6:2 – Help bear burdens of others
- Gal. 6:7 – Reap what we sow
- Gal. 6:9 – Do not become weary
- Gal. 6:10 – Use your opportunities

Galatians – Key points from this 6 chapter book



- Gal. 6:7 – reap what we sow
- The world tells us:
 - “**Life is short**” – enjoy it”
- The one gospel says:
 - “**Eternity is long** – prepare for it!”
- Gal. 6:9 – Do not become weary
- Gal. 6:10 – Use opportunities for good

Ephesians



Ephesians – Led a shack like life

Eph. 2:1 – “...**dead** through your **trespasses and sins,**”

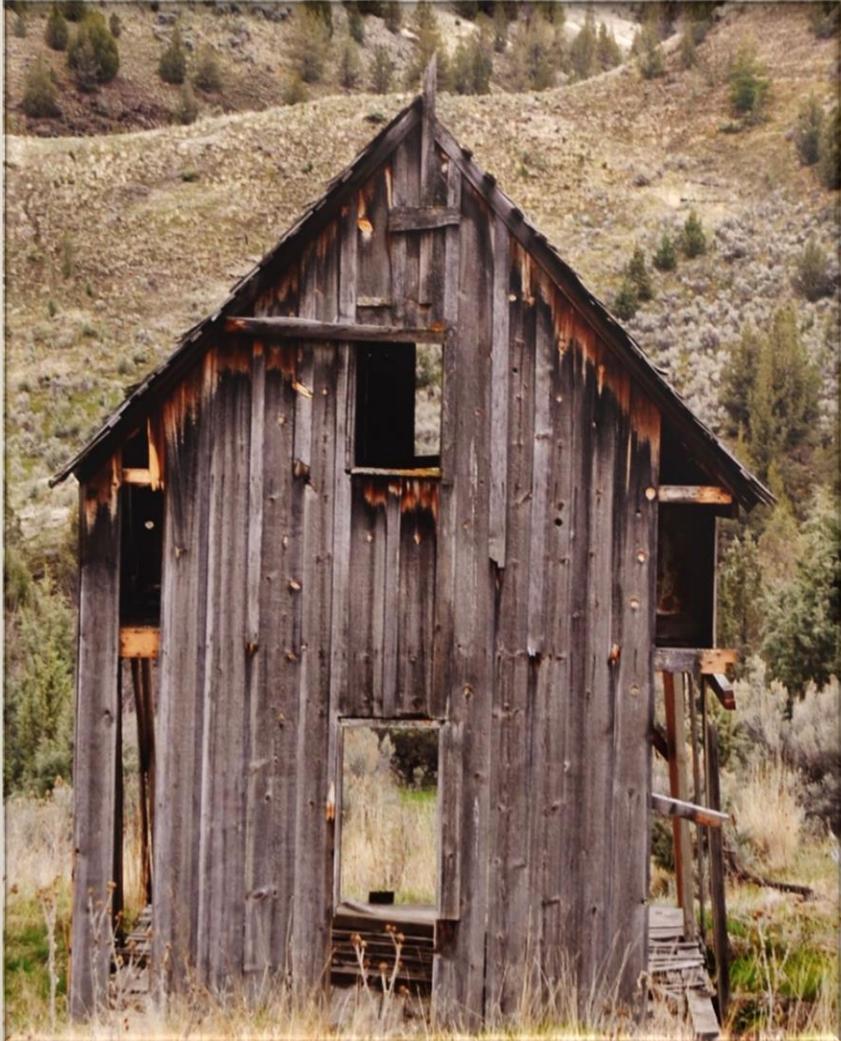
Eph. 2:2a – “... once **walked** according to the **course of this world...**”

Eph. 2:2b – **Used to be part of** “...the **spirit** that now worketh in the **sons of disobedience;**...”

Eph. 2:3a – “...”once **lived** in the **lust of our flesh...**”

Eph. 2:3b – “...**doing the desires of the flesh** and of the mind,...

Eph. 2:3c – “...were by nature **children of wrath,** even as the rest...”



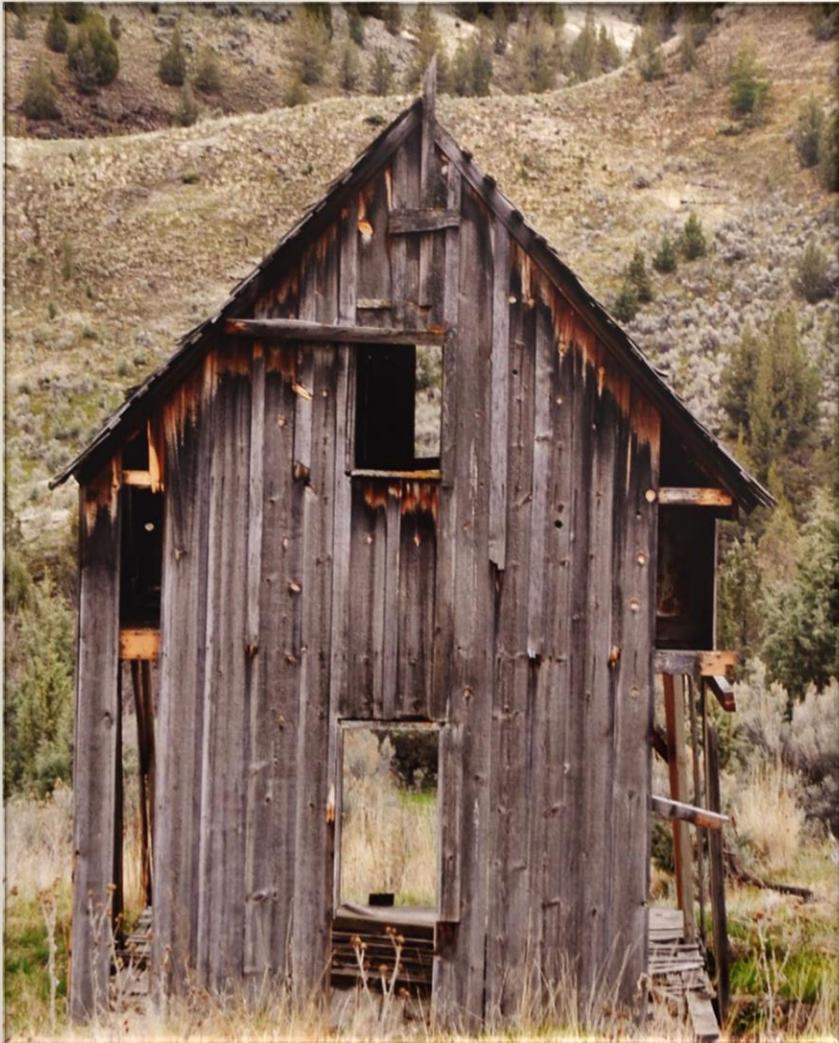
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Eph. 2:5 – “... dead through our **trespasses**.”

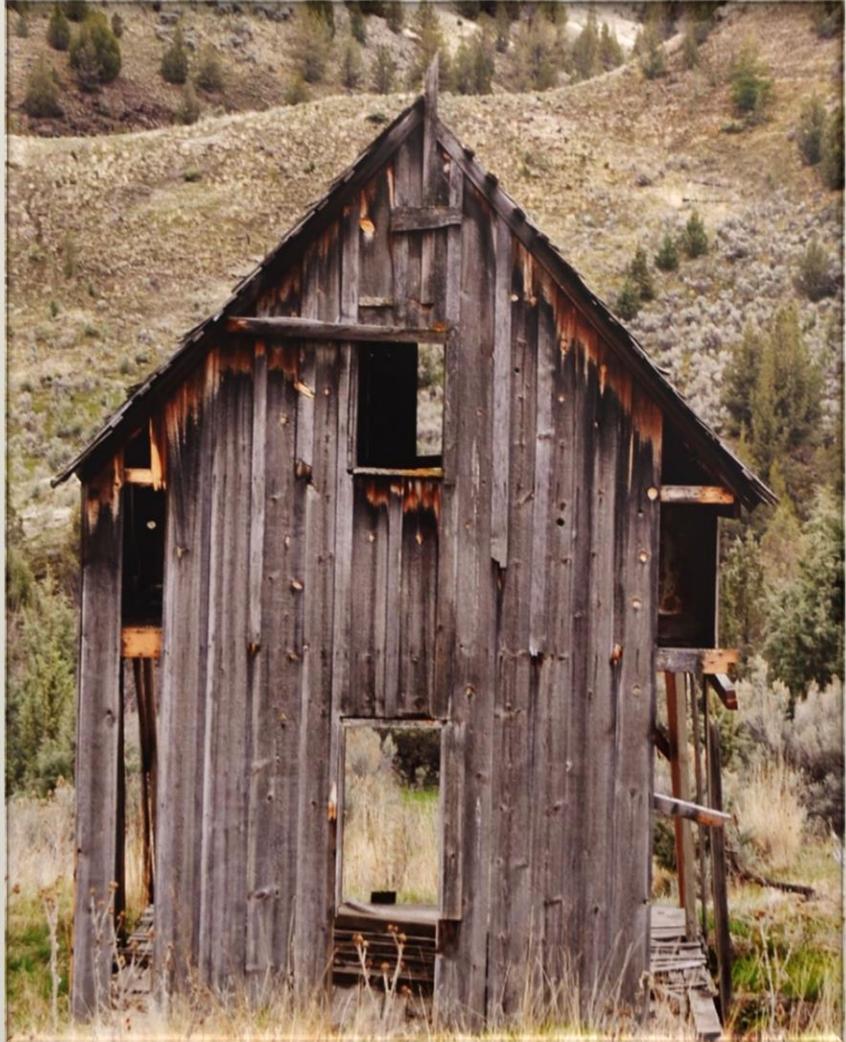
Eph. 2:12 – “that ye were at that time separate from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of the promise, having no hope and without God in the world.”

Eph. 2:13, 17 – “afar off...”

Eph. 2:19 – You were “strangers.”



Ephesians – Led
a shack like life



BUT

- *But* is found 26 times in Ephesians (ASV)
- Used in some key places
- “*But*” is used with the previous verses

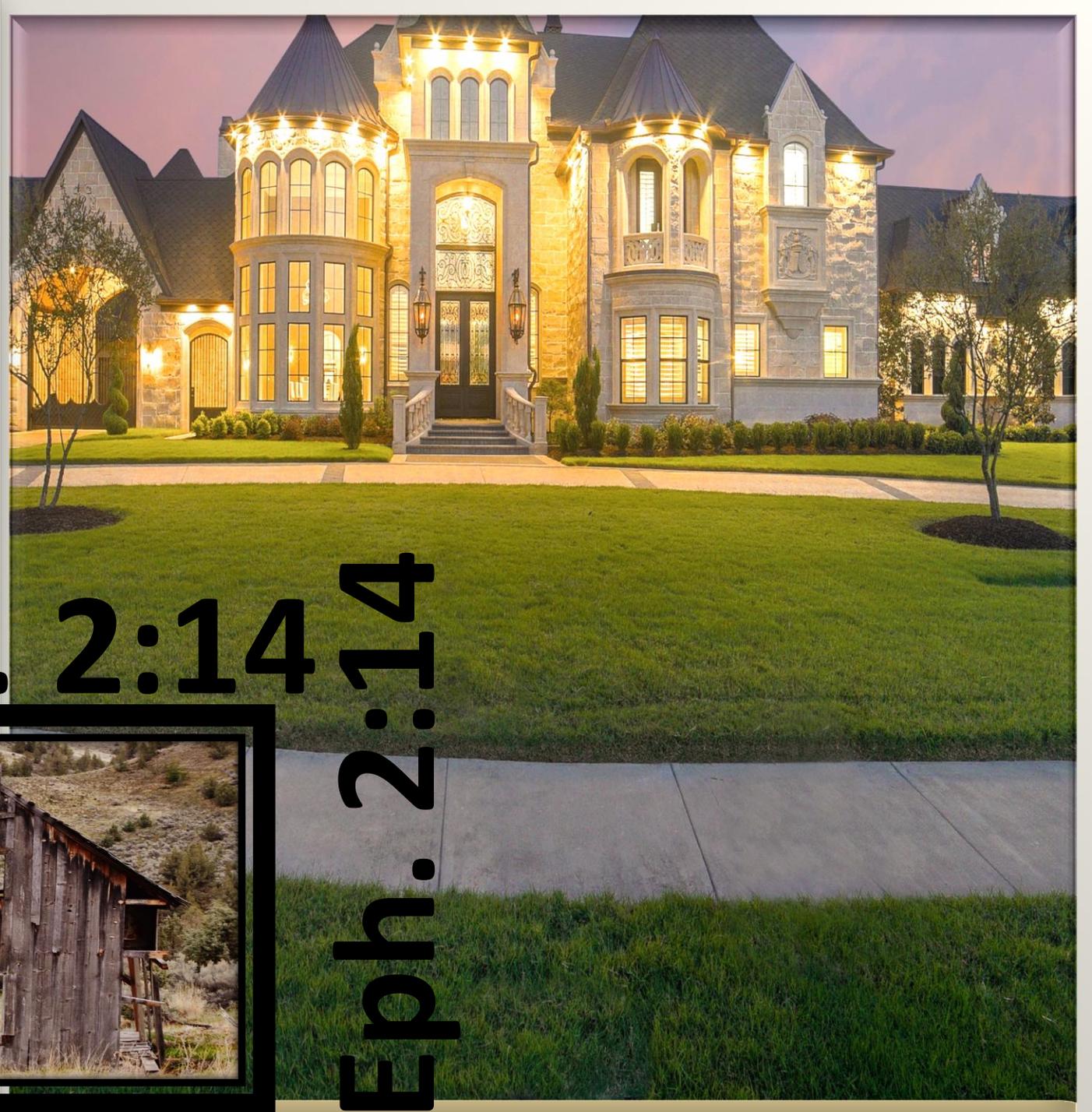
Ephesians



Eph. 2:4 – “**but** God,
being rich in mercy...”

Eph. 2:13 – “**But now** in
Christ Jesus...”

Eph. 2:16 “...**but** ye are
fellow-citizens...”



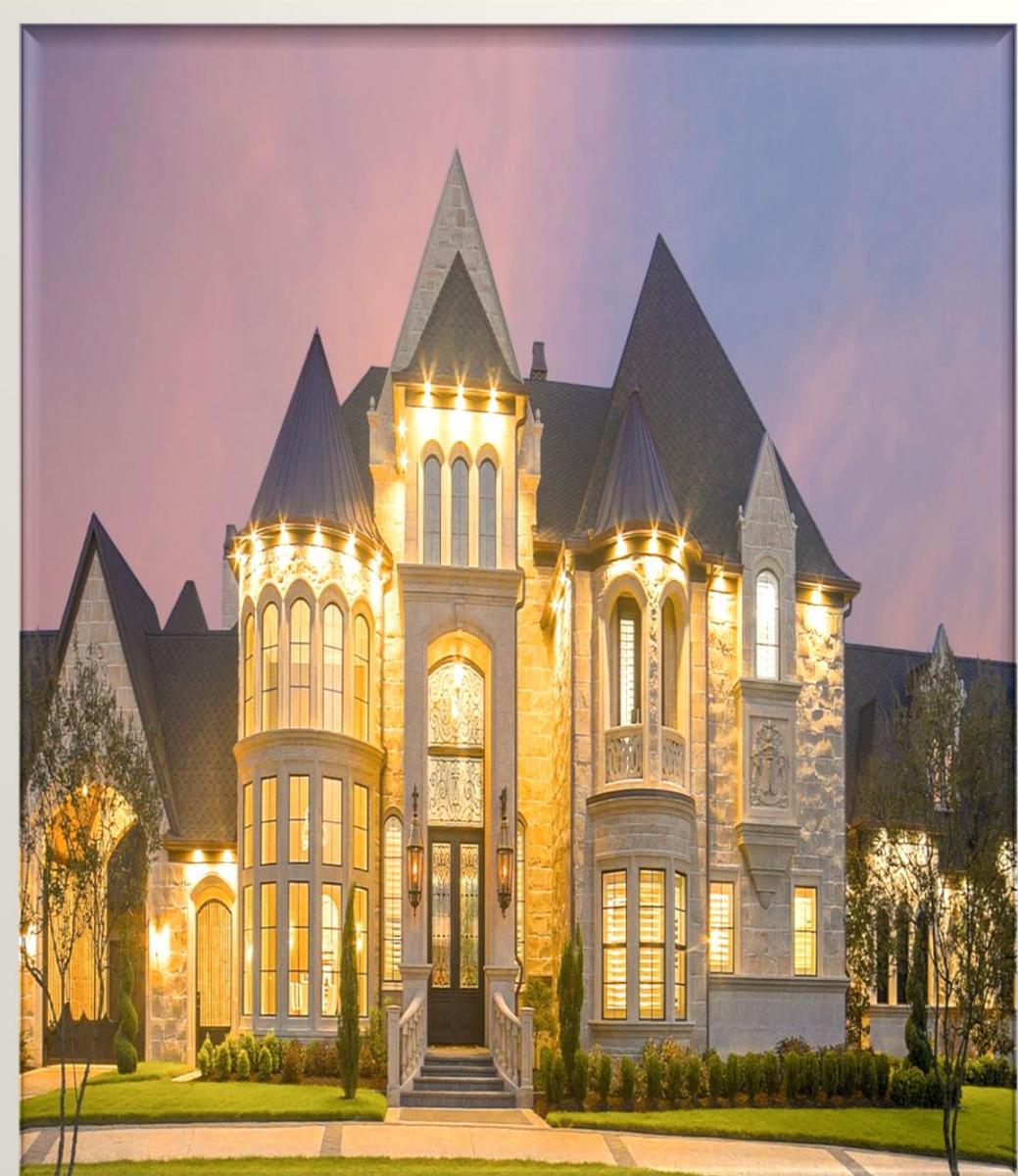
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Ephesians



- Eph. 3:3-4 – “mystery”
- Devil didn’t comprehend it
- Angels interested in it (1 Pet. 1:12)
- Eph. 2:19 – “household of God” (this was the plan; Isa. 2:1-4)
- Eph. 2:20 describes the foundation for this structure
- Eph. 2:22 says this structure is fit for God - built by Christ (Mt. 16:18)



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Eph. 2:14

All spiritual blessings



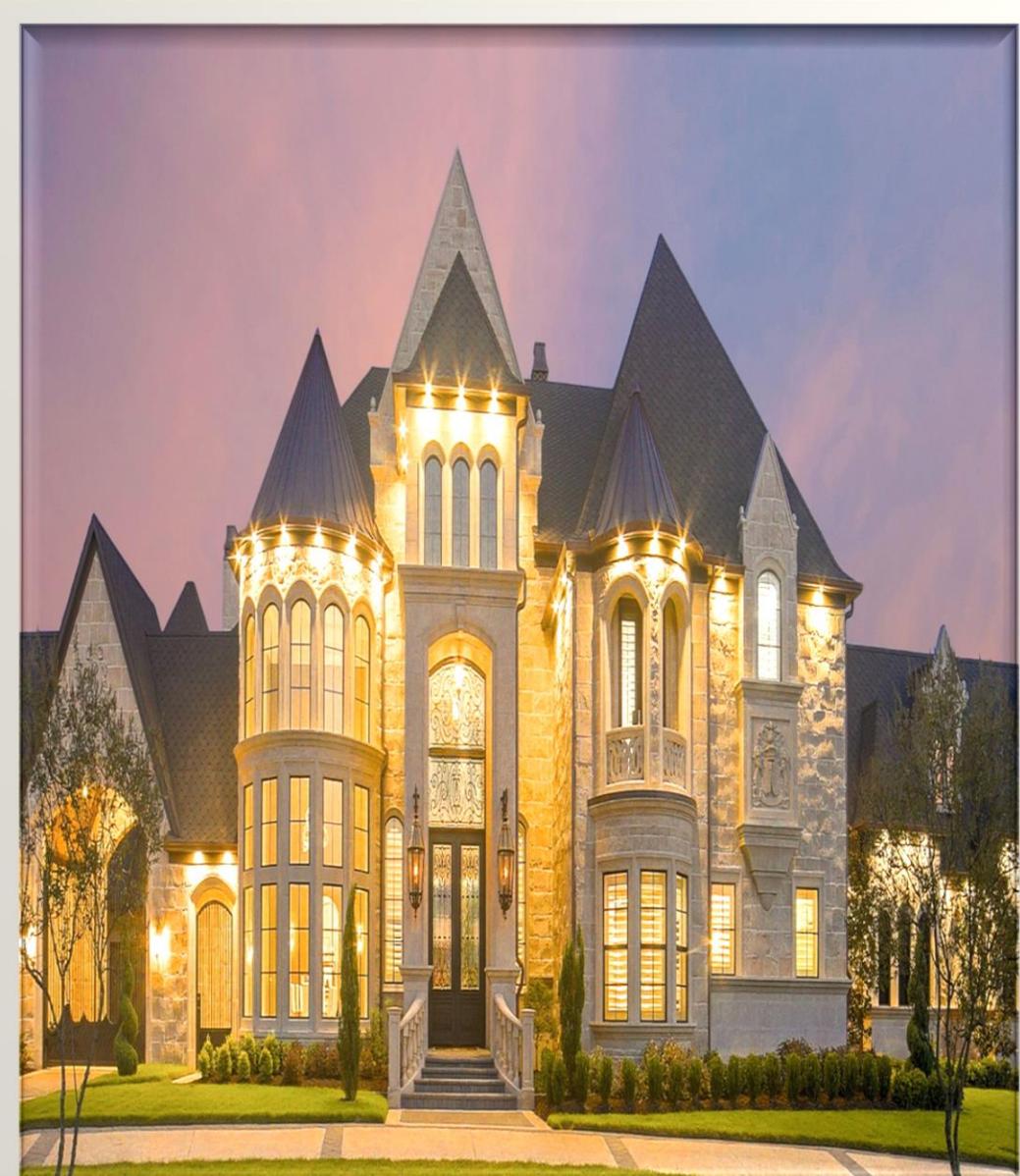
Eph. 3:11

Eph. 1:22-23

Ephesians

“House Rules and Responsibilities”

- 1 Tim. 3:15 – church = house of God”
- Walk “worthily” (Eph. 4:1)
- Humility, patience, love (Eph. 4:2)
- Not like the houses in the world
- Just 1 way like only 1 Lord (Eph. 4:4-5)
- All other groups rooted up (Mt. 15:13)
- Special helpers in church (Eph. 4:11)
- Rules bring unity in God’s house (4:13)
- Religious error (Eph. 4:14) divides
- Truth is needed (Eph. 4:15)
- Speak the truth (Eph. 4:25)
- Live the truth (Eph. 4:26-32)
 - Paul offers multiple illustrations



Ephesians

“House Rules and Responsibilities”

- **Be an imitator of God (Eph. 5:1)**
- **Things to avoid (Eph. 5:3-9)**
- **Use your time well (Eph. 5:16)**
- **Understand what is right (Eph. 5:17)**
- **Filled w/spirit vs. drunk (Eph. 5:18)**
- **Sing praises to God (Eph. 5:19)**
- **Worship & family rules (Eph. 5:21-33)**



Ephesians

“House Rules and Responsibilities”

- Rules about children (Eph. 6:1-4)
- Rules about slaves (Eph. 6:3-8)
- Rules for slave masters (Eph. 6:9)
- Christian armor (Eph. 6:13-17)
- Are we in the house of God?



Philippians – A book with many subjects



- Beginning of this church is in Acts 16
- Paul had a dream (Acts 16:9) – **HELP!**
- Traveled there by ship (Acts 16:11)
- Got to city and had to wait (Acts 16:12)
- “Prayer meeting” (Acts 16:13)
- A woman worshipper (Acts 16:14)

Philippians – A book with many subjects



- Acts 16:14 - And a certain woman named **Lydia**, a **seller of purple** of the city of Thyatira, one that **worshipped God**, **heard us**: whose **heart the Lord opened** to **give heed unto the things which were spoken by Paul**.
- Acts 10:34 – respect of persons
- “One gospel” – Galatians
- Church is like a house – Eph.

Philippians – A book with many subjects



- **Romans 1:16**
- **For I am not ashamed of the gospel: for it is the power of God unto salvation to *every one that believeth*; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.**

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- Acts 16:15 –
- And when she was baptized, and her household, she besought us, saying, If ye have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come into my house, and abide (there). And she constrained us.

Philippians – A book with many subjects



- **Acts 16:23-40:**

- Acts 16:23 – preachers jailed
- Time = about midnight, v. 25
- Great earthquake (v. 26a)
- Restraints removed (v. 26b)
- Panicked jailer (v. 27)
- A call for lights (verse 29)
- How can I be saved? (v. 30)

Philippians – A book with many subjects



- **Acts 16:30-31**
- 30 “and brought them out and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved?”
- 31 “And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus, and thou shalt be saved, thou and thy house.”
- **Acts 17:30 – all must repent??**

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Acts 16:30-33 - and brought them out and said, **Sirs, what must I do to be saved?** And they said, **Believe** on the Lord Jesus, and thou shalt be saved, thou and thy house. And they spake the word of the Lord unto him, with all that were in his house. And he took them *the same hour of the night*, and washed their stripes; **and was baptized**, he and all his, *immediately*.

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- After Paul's 1st trip to Philippi ...
- He went here 2 more times?
 - 2 Cor. 1:16
 - Acts 19:21; 20:1-3
- Philippian letter penned about 10 years after Paul's 1st visit there.
- 3 prominent words in this epistle

Philippians –

A book with many subjects •



CHRIST

- Found dozens of times
- Servants of Christ (1:1)
- “Mercies” of Christ (1:8)

- James 3:2 –
- For in *many things* we all stumble. If any stumbleth not in word, the same is a perfect man, able to bridle the whole body also.

Philippians –

A book with many subjects •

CHRIST

- Some have bad motives (Phil. 1:15)
- Right choices & be w/Christ (1:23)
- Live a Christ-like life (Phi. 1:27)
- How Jesus was a servant (Phil. 2)



Philippians – A book with many subjects



- **CHRIST**
- Phil 2:5-8: Have this mind in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: 6 who, existing in the form of God, counted not the being on an equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being made in the likeness of men; 8 and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, becoming obedient (even) unto death, yea, the death of the cross.

Philippians –

A book with many subjects



- **MIND** – another key term in this book
- Phil. 2:2 - make full my joy, that ye be of the same mind, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind;
- Phil. 2:3 - (doing) nothing through faction or through vainglory, but in lowliness of mind each counting other better than himself;
- Phil. 2:5 – the “mind” of Christ

Philippians – A book with many subjects



- **MIND** – another key term in this book
- Phil. 3:19 - whose end is perdition, whose god is the belly, and (whose) glory is in their shame, who *mind* earthly things.
- Phil. 4:2 - I exhort Euodia, and I exhort Syntyche, to be of the same mind in the Lord.

Philippians –

A book with many subjects



- **JOY**– A third key word
- Sometimes this is rendered “rejoice.”
- “Rejoice” in the Lord (Phil. 3:1)
- “Rejoice” always (Phil. 4:4)
- There can be “great” rejoicing (4:10)
- Acts 16:34 (joy; different original word)
- Joy over who we are & where going

Colossians – The Supremacy of Christ



- Paul – Traveled about 12,000 miles
- Colossian church not in Acts
- Paul was unknown to many at Colossae (Col. 2:1).
- *“For I would have you know how greatly I strive for you, and for them at Laodicea, and for as many as have not seen my face in the flesh;”*

Colossians – The Supremacy of Christ



- Colossian church had a problem
- “Special rules” were being taught
- Jesus is SUPREME
- Jesus offers ALL man needs
- Verses about Jesus’ supremacy are in this letter

Colossians – The Supremacy of Christ



- **Col. 1:13** –
- *“who delivered us out of the power of darkness, and **translated us into the kingdom** of the Son of his love;”*
- Devil has a kingdom (Mt. 12:26)
- **Where and what is the devil’s kingdom?**

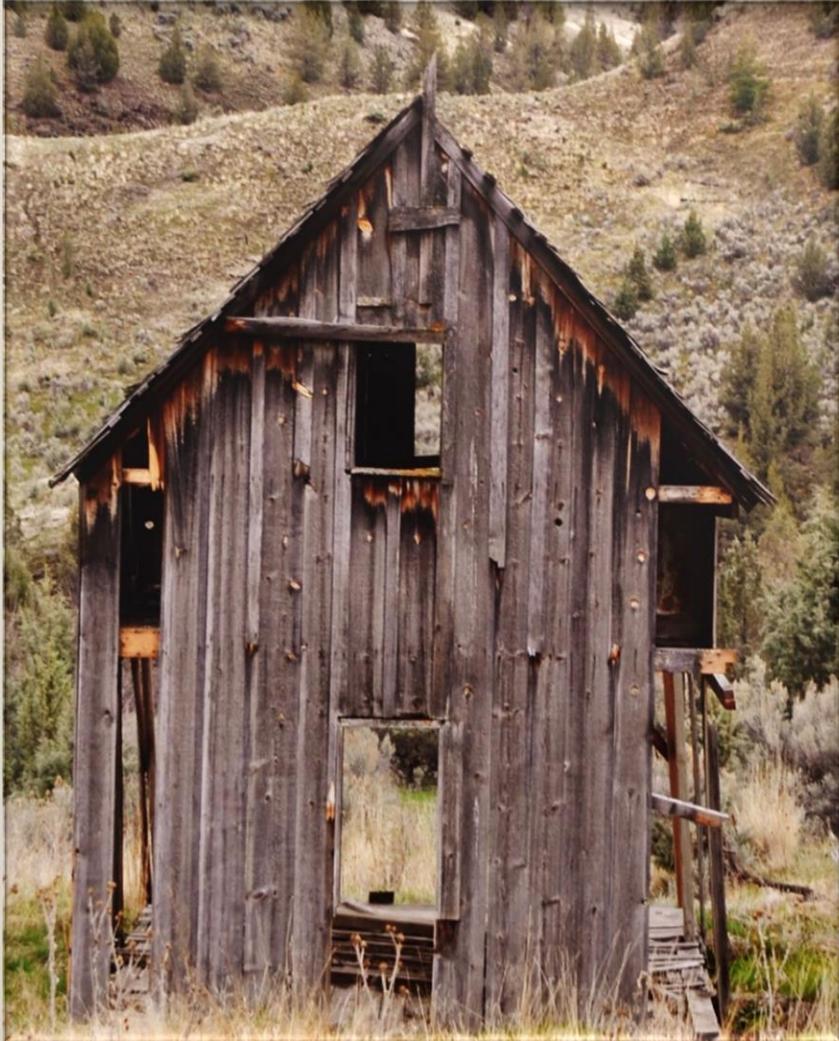
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Eph. 2:13, 17 – “afar off...”

Eph. 2:19 – You were “strangers.”



Colossians – The Supremacy of Christ



Eph. 5:26:

that he might sanctify it, having cleansed it by the washing of water with the word,

Col. 2:12:

having been buried with him in baptism, wherein ye were also raised with him through faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead.

Colossians – The Supremacy of Christ



- In Christ is **redemption** (1:14)
- “**Firstborn of all creation**” (1:15)
- **All** created through Jesus (1:16)
- Jesus is **before all things** (1:17a)
- **All** “consists” through Him (1:17b)
- **All** prominence to Him (1:18)

Colossians – The Supremacy of Christ



Religious rules made by men

Col. 2:8 – “... philosophy and vain deceit, after **the tradition of men**, after the **rudiments of the world**, and not after Christ: ...”

Col .2:14 “Let no man therefore judge you in **meat**, or in **drink**, or in respect of a **feast day** or a **new moon** or a **sabbath day**:”

Col. 2:18-19a: “Let no man rob you of your prize by a voluntary humility and **worshipping of the angels**, dwelling in the **things which he hath seen (i.e. visions)**, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind, 19 and not holding fast the Head,”

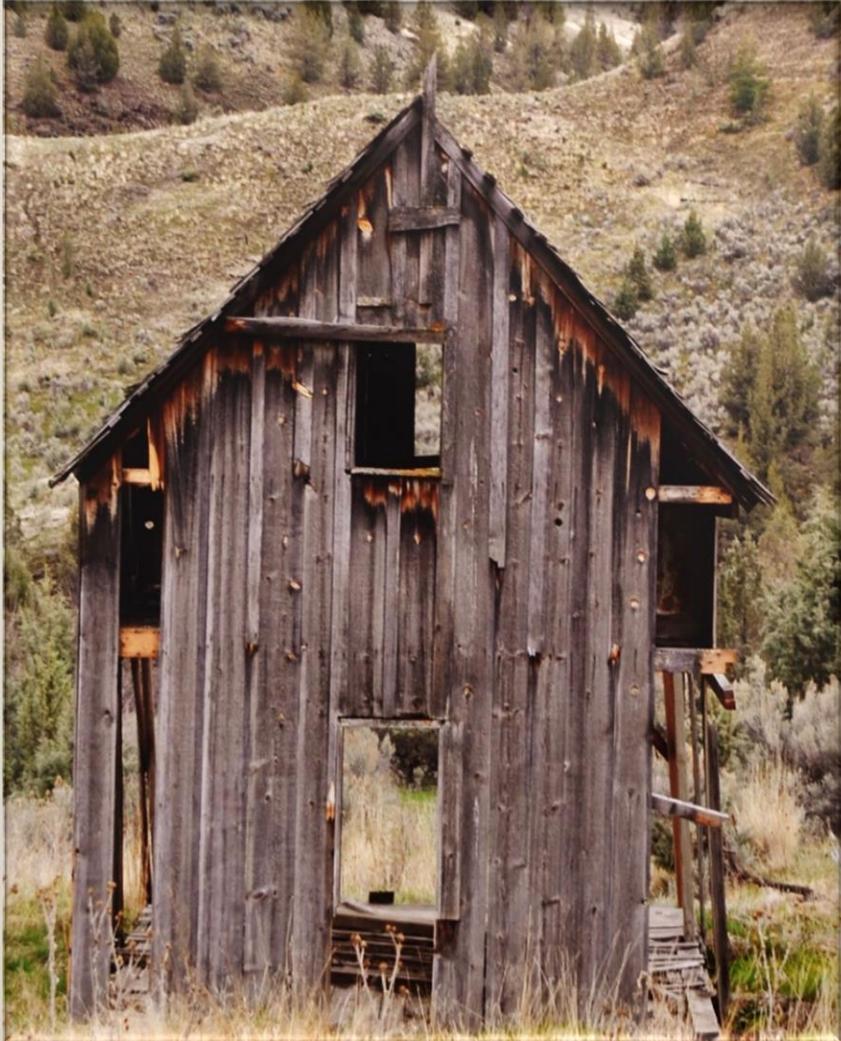
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Col. 3:1-3–



1 If then ye **were raised together with Christ**, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated on the right hand of God.



2 Set your mind on the things that are above, not on the things that are upon the earth.

3 For ye died, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

Colossians – The Supremacy of Christ



Col. 3:5-10 – Things Jesus says we must forsake:

Verse 5:

Lust and sexual sin

Doing what we feel like doing

Base decisions on how we feel

Verse 7: Living in sin

Verse 8:

Anger (temper problems)

Mean, irritable, profane, foul speech

Verse 9: Lying

Colossians – The Supremacy of Christ



Live a radically changed life (3:10-18) due to being translated into kingdom of God (1:13):

- “Put on new man” (3:10)
- “Renewed” (3:10)
- “Put on” (3:12-14) all these new ways
- Fully embrace the peace of Christ (3:15)
- Let word of Christ DWELL in you **RICHLY** (3:16)
- Do ALL by the authority of Jesus Christ (3:17)

Colossians – The Supremacy of Christ

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- **Worship (Col. 3:16)**
- **The home (Col. 3:18-20)**
- **Slaves and masters (3:22-4:1)**
- **Intense and persistent prayer (4:2)**
- **Be careful about our example (4:5)**
- **Changed speech (4:6)**
- **Change in commitment (w/to be jailed, 4:10).**





First Thessalonians



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First Thessalonians



- **How Paul felt about these people (1 Thess. 1:2-10)**
- **Some had said bad things about Paul (1 Thess. 2:1-3:13)**
- **BE HOLY! (1 Thess. 4:1-12)**
- **Wrong ideas about the end of time (4:13-5:11)**

First Thessalonians



1 Thess. 1:2:

**We give thanks
to God always
for you all, making
mention (of you)
in our prayers;**

First Thessalonians



1 Thess. 1:3:
remembering without
ceasing your work of
faith and labor of love
and patience of hope in
our Lord Jesus Christ,
before our God and
Father;

First Thessalonians



1 Thess. 1:4:

“beloved of God”

1 Thess. 1:6:

Embraced the gospel

1 Thess. 1:7:

Became an example

1 Thess. 1:9-10:

Left idolatry & faithful

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First Thessalonians



Second Coming – 1 Thess. 4-5

13 But we would not have you ignorant, brethren, concerning them that fall asleep; that **ye sorrow not**, *even as the rest*, who have no hope.

1 Thess 4:14

14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so **them also that are fallen asleep in Jesus will God bring with him.**

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Second Coming – 1 Thess. 4-5

1 Thess. 4:16-17

16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven, with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first;

17 then we that are alive, that are left, shall together with them be caught up in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

First Thessalonians



Second Coming – 1 Thess. 4-5

5:1 But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that aught be written unto you.

5:2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

5:3 When they are saying, **Peace and safety**, then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as **travail upon a woman with child**; and they shall in no wise escape.

First Thessalonians



Second Coming – 1 Thess. 4-5

1 Thess 5:4-6

4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief:

5 for ye are all sons of light, and sons of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness;

6 so then let us not sleep, as do the rest, but let us watch and be sober.

Second Thessalonians





Second Thessalonians

Likely written close to 1 Thess.

- Some issues still unsettled
- Some things were worse
- Phony letter was written
- Persecution was a problem

2 Thess. 1:12

Second Thessalonians

2 Thess. 1:12 - *that the **name** of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.*



Second Thessalonians

- *Hercules* & *Master* drills
- *Diamond* back tile saws
- *Earthquake* grinders
- *Warrior* polishers
- *Fortress* compressors
- *Diablo* air hoses
- *Predator* generators
- *Viking* jumper cables



Second Thessalonians

name of our Lord Jesus

Grace & peace, 1:2

Righteous judgment. 1:5

Afflict persecutors, 1:6

BAD news for the lost –

2 Thess. 1:7-8



Second Thessalonians

2 Thess. 1:7-8 - *and to you that are afflicted rest with us, at the revelation of the Lord Jesus from heaven with the angels of his power in flaming fire, & rendering vengeance to them that know not God, and to them that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus:*





Second Thessalonians

Pray for us, 3:1

Prayer can deliver, 3:2

Prayer can guard, 3:3

God – peace at all times, 3:16

Peace in all ways, 3:16





Second Thessalonians



Second Thessalonians

2:3 – “man of sin”

2:1 – Jesus will return

**Now we beseech you,
brethren, touching the
coming of our Lord Jesus
Christ, and our gathering
together unto him;**



Second Thessalonians

2:3 – “man of sin”

2:1-2 – Don’t fret

to the end that ye be not quickly shaken from your mind, nor yet be troubled, either by spirit, or by word, or by epistle as from us, as that the day of the Lord is just at hand;



Second Thessalonians

2:3 – “man of sin”

2:3 – The truth -

let no man beguile you in
any wise: for (it will not be,)
except the falling away come
first, and the man of sin be
revealed, the son of
perdition, Comp. 1 Jn. 2:18



Second Thessalonians

2:3 – “man of sin”

2:4 – Some specifics

he that opposeth and exalteth himself against all that is called God or that is worshipped; so that **he sitteth in the temple of God, setting himself forth as God.** Ezek. 28:2; Isa. 14:13.



Second Thessalonians

2:3 – “man of sin”

2:6-7 – This is “old news”

6 And now ye know that which restraineth, to the end that he may be revealed in his own season. 7 For the mystery of lawlessness doth already work: only (there is) one that restraineth now, until he be taken out of the way.



Second Thessalonians

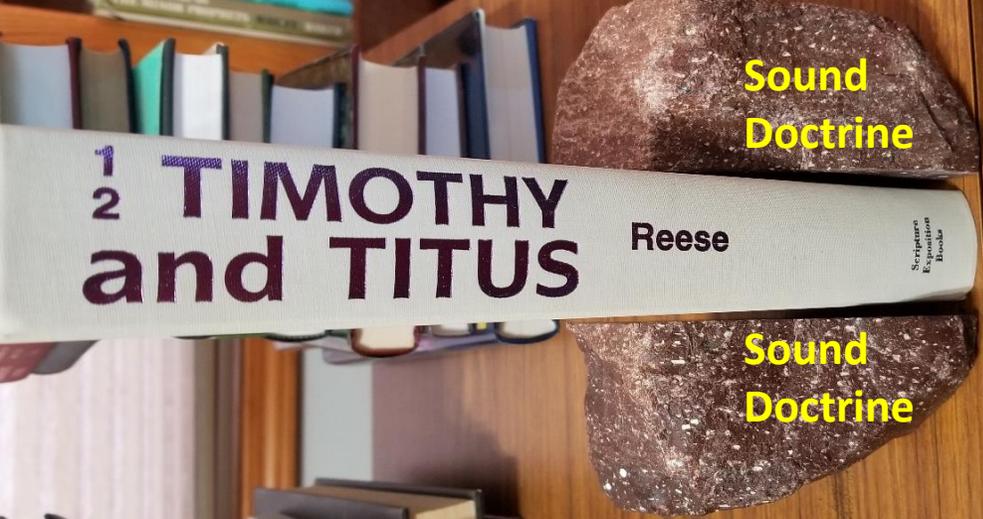
2:3 – “man of sin”

2:8 – The lawless one

And then shall be revealed the lawless one, whom the Lord Jesus shall slay with the breath of his mouth, and bring to nought by the manifestation of his coming;

Compare Rev. 20:9.





Sound Doctrine

1 Tim 1:7 - *desiring to be teachers of the law, though they understand neither what they say, nor whereof they confidently affirm.*

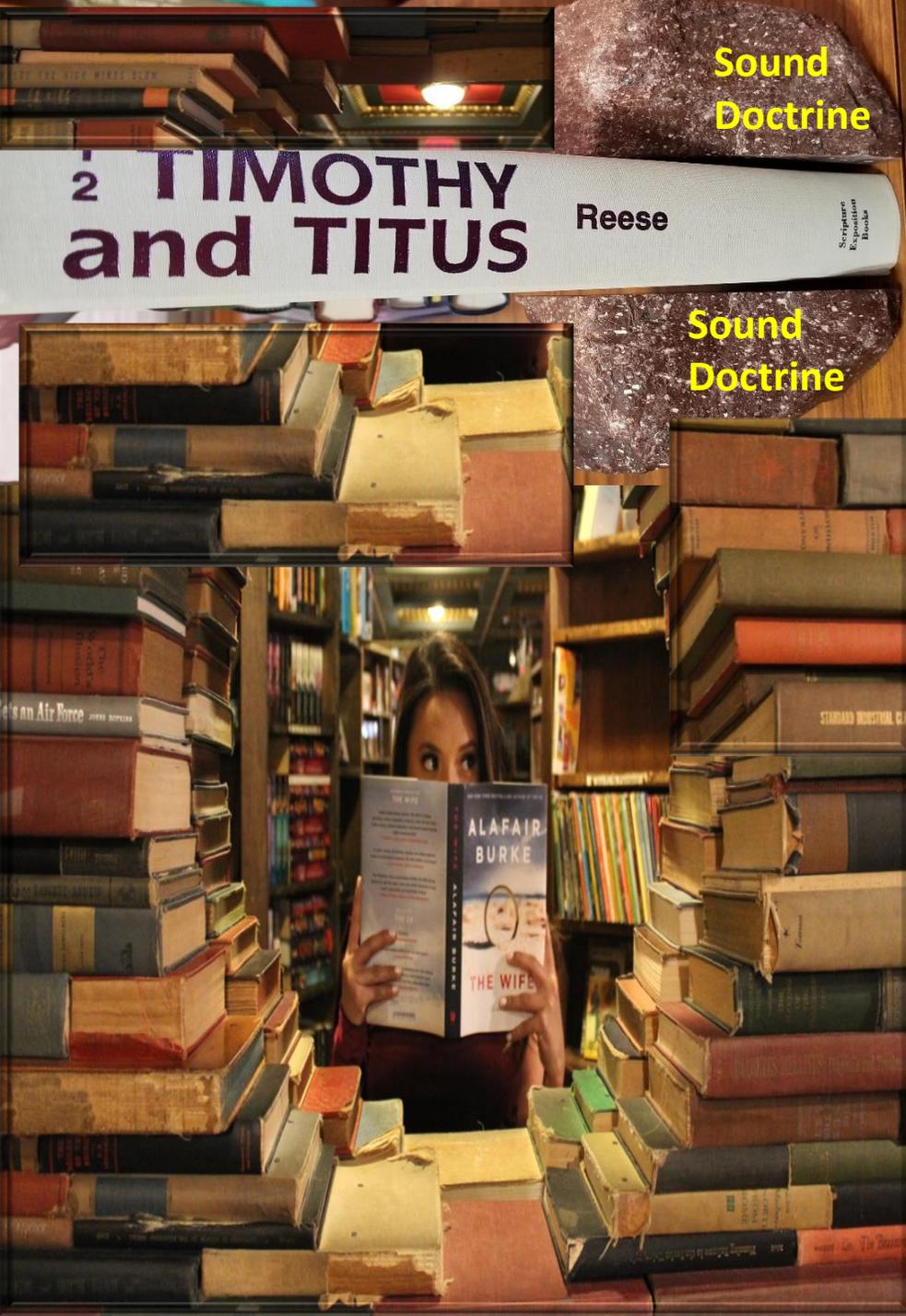
1 Tim. 1:10 – contrary to **sound doctrine**

1 Tim. 6:3 – consent not to sound words

1 Tim. 1:3 – be careful about doctrine



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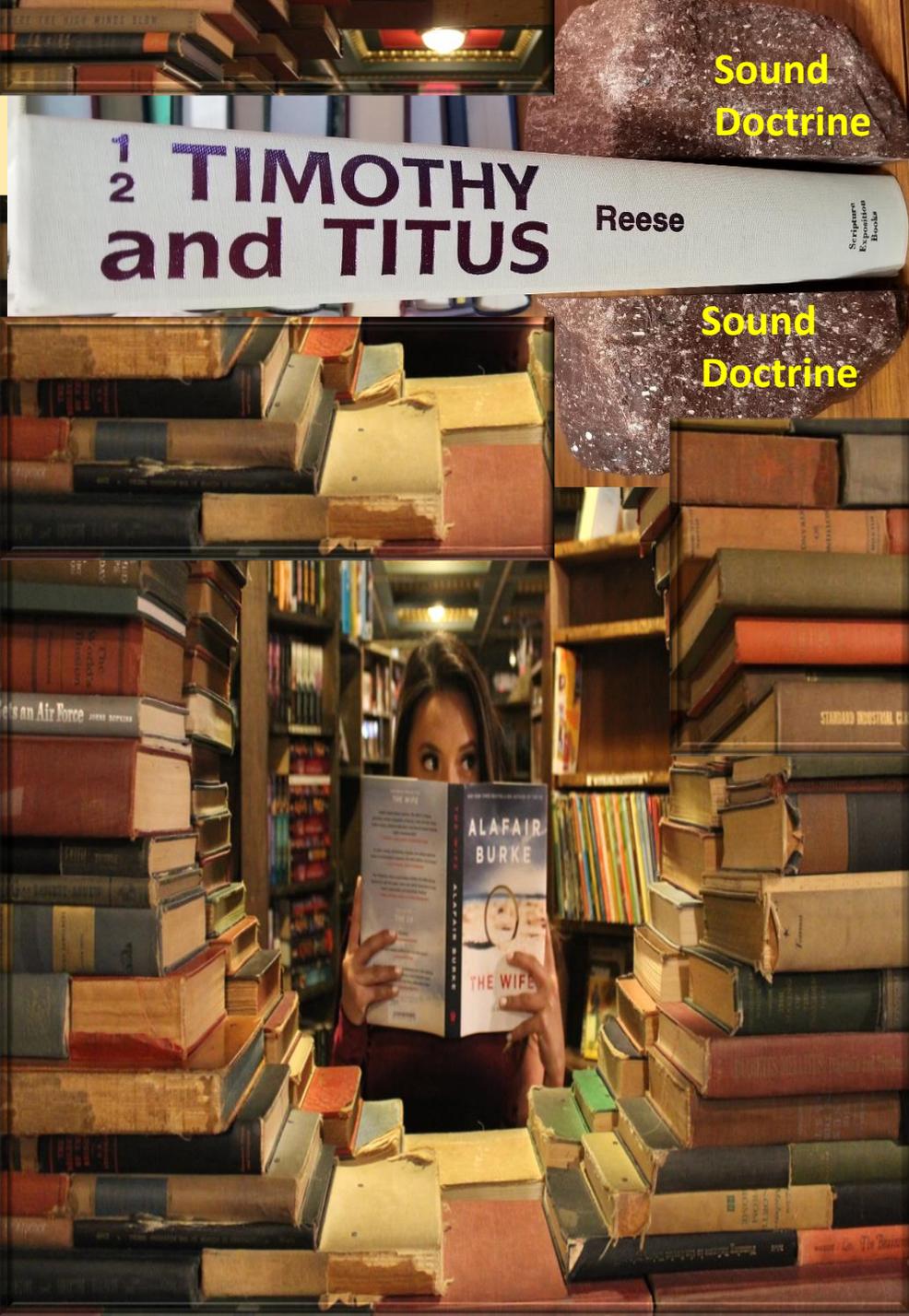
1 Tim. 1:15 – why Jesus came – *Faithful is the saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief:*

1 Tim. 1:18 – we are in a war

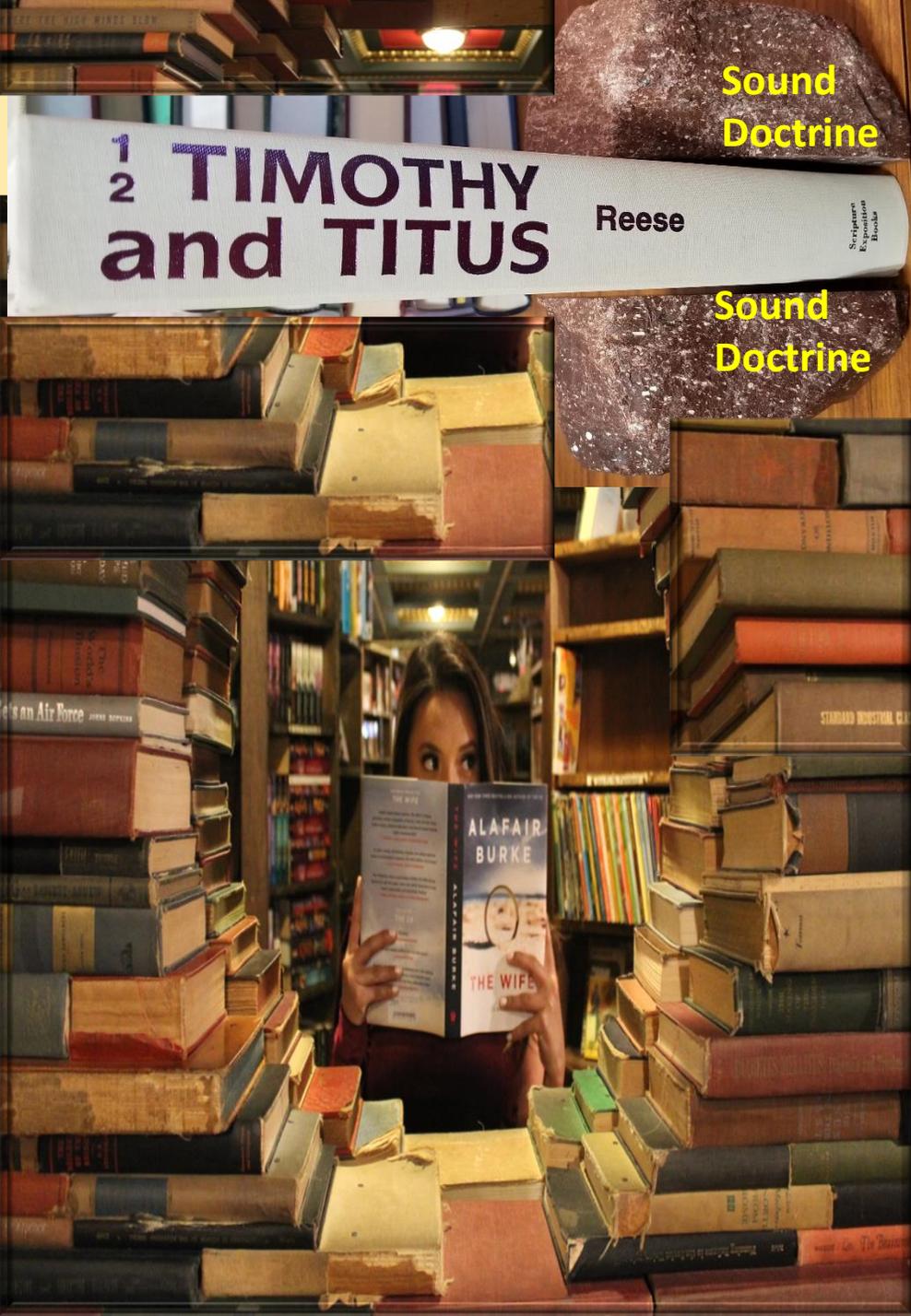
1 Tim. 2:1-2 – PRAY! Compare Mt. 5:44

1 Tim. 2:8-15 – Respect gender roles & male spiritual leadership

Sound Doctrine



1 Tim. 4:1-3 - But the Spirit **saith expressly**, that in later times **some shall fall away from the faith**, giving heed to **seducing spirits and doctrines of demons**, **2** through the hypocrisy of men that speak lies, **branded** in their own conscience as **with a hot iron**; **3 forbidding to marry**, (and commanding) to **abstain from meats**, which God created to be received with thanksgiving by them that believe and know the truth.



Sound
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Sound Doctrine

1 Tim. 4:6 – Nourished by sound doctrine

1 Tim. 4:7 – Reject unsound doctrine

1 Tim. 4:8 – Truth versus exercise

1 Tim. 5 – Treat people in right way

1 Tim. 6:3-4 – Sound doctrine a must!

1 Tim. 6:6-19 – Be careful with wealth

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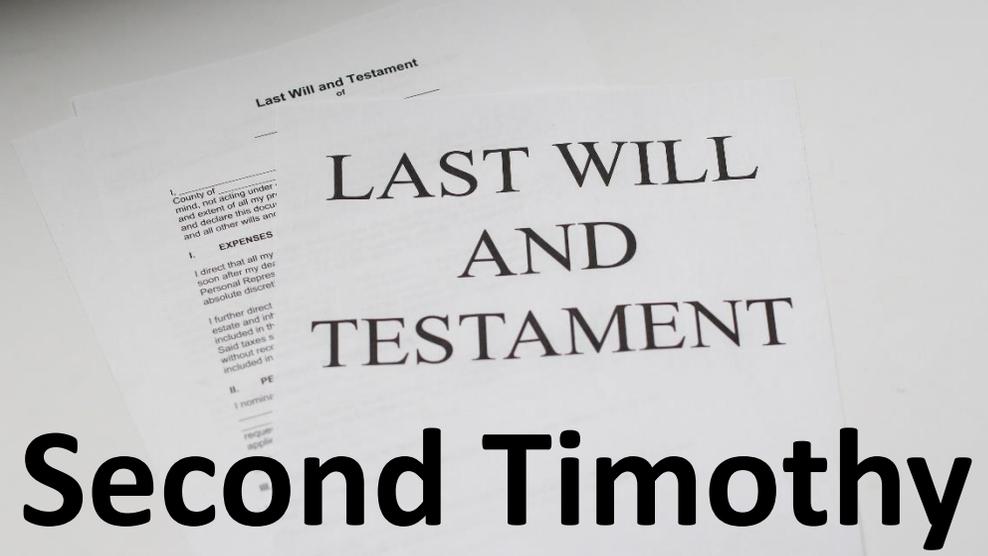
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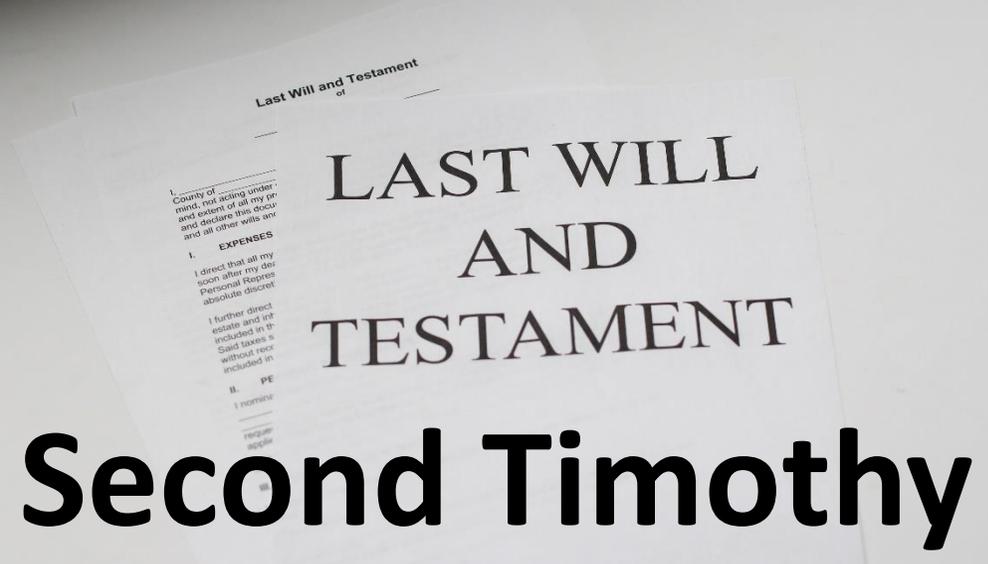
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6 For I am already being offered, and the time of my departure is come.

7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith:

8 henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give to me at that day; and not to me only, but also to all them that have loved his appearing.





2 Tim. 1

2 Tim. 1:3 - I **thank God**, whom *I serve* from my forefathers in a *pure conscience*, how **unceasing** is my remembrance of thee in my supplications, night and day.

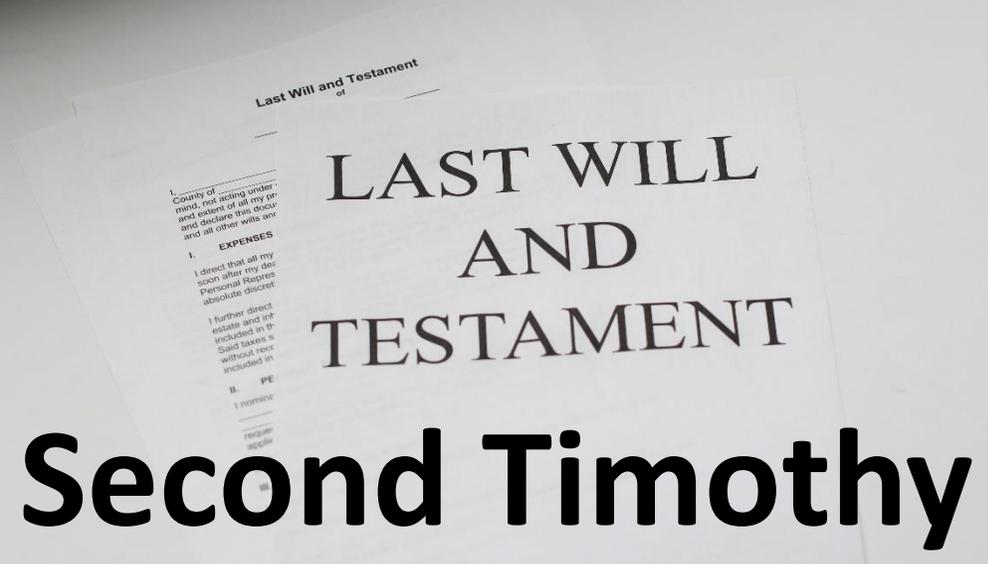
Rev. 7:15; Acts 22:16.

2 Tim. 1:7 – **Not afraid** –

For god **gave us not a spirit of fearfulness**; but of power and love and discipline.

2 Tim. 1:8 – **shame & embarrassment**



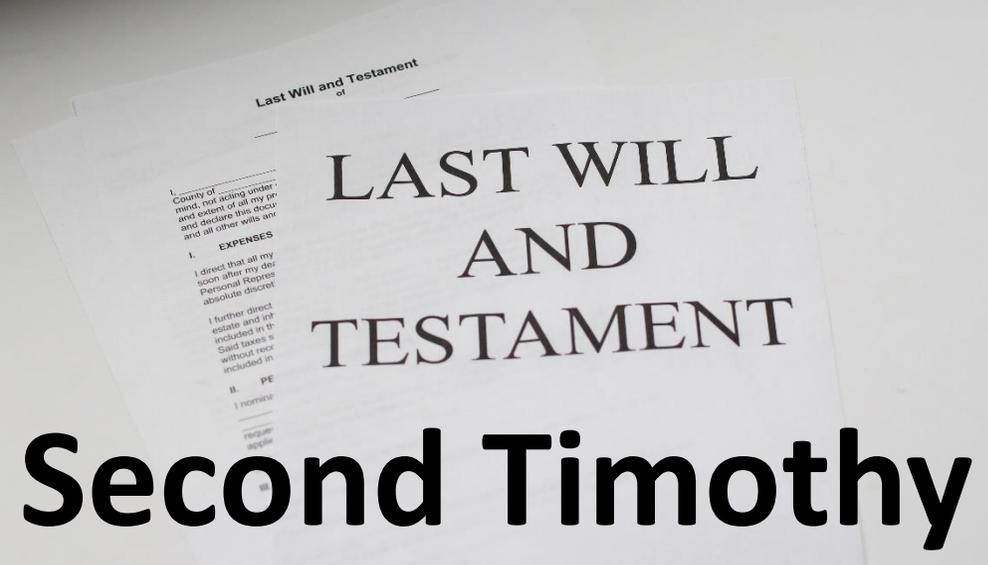


2 Tim. 2:3-4

3 Suffer hardship with (me), as a good soldier of Christ Jesus.



4 No soldier on service entangleth himself in the affairs of (this) life; that he may please him who enrolled him as soldier.

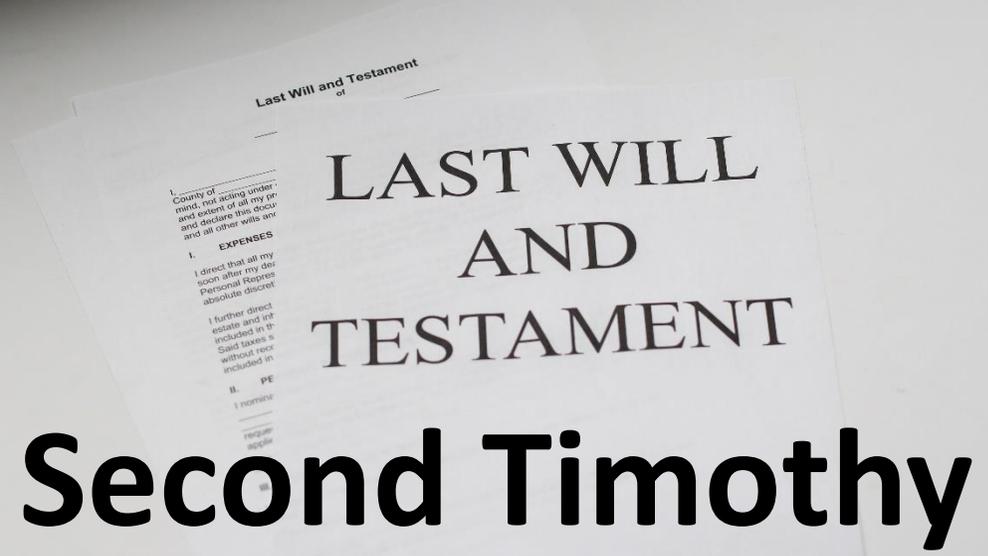


Second Timothy

2 Tim. 2:15

Give diligence to present thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, handling aright the word of truth.





Second Timothy



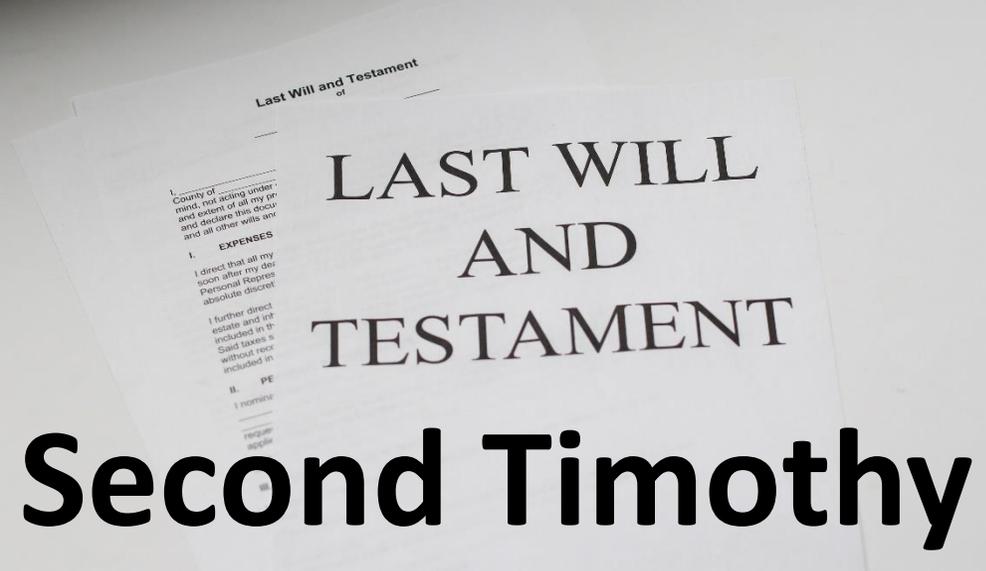
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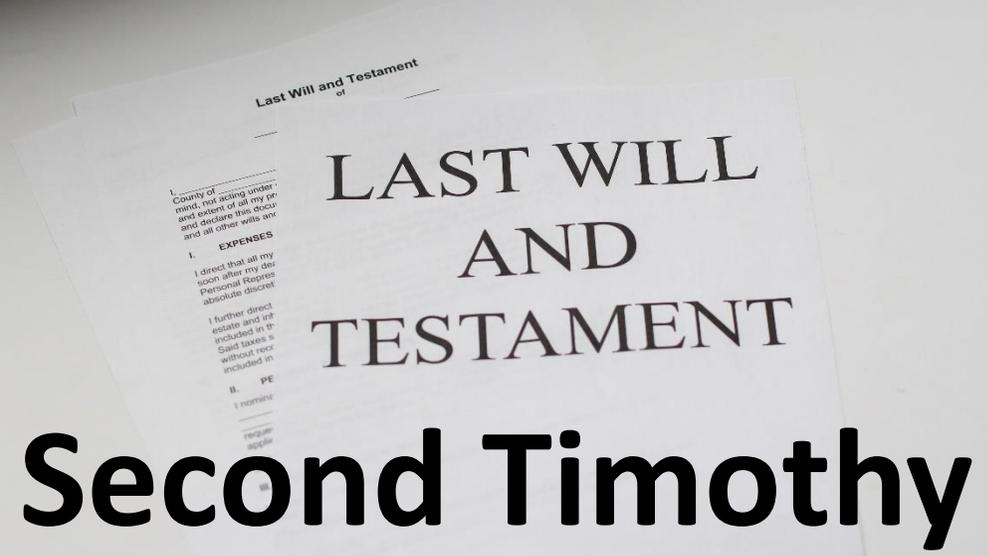
24 And the Lord's servant **must not strive**, but **be gentle towards all**, **apt to teach**, **forbearing**, 25 **in meekness** **correcting them that oppose themselves**; if peradventure **God may give them repentance unto the knowledge of the truth**,

2 Tim. 2:26

and they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him unto his will.

Second Timothy





Second Timothy



2 Tim. 3:1-7

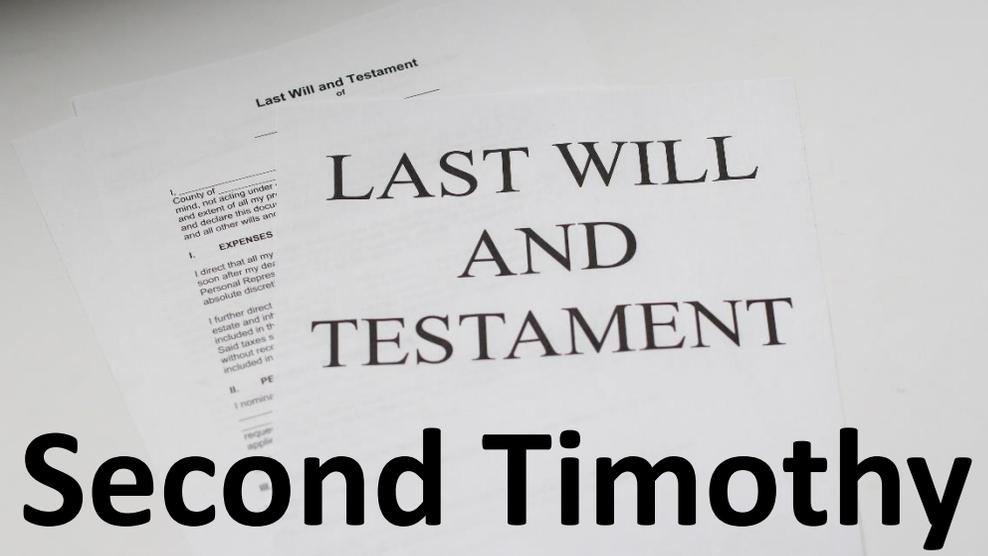
But know this, that in the last days grievous times shall come. 2 For men shall be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, haughty, railers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, 3 without natural affection, implacable, slanderers, without self-control, fierce, no lovers of good, 4 traitors, headstrong, puffed up, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God; 5 holding a form of godliness, but having denied the power therefore. From these also turn away. 6 For of these are they that creep into houses, and take captive silly women laden with sins, led away by divers lusts, 7 ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

2 Tim. 3:10-12

10 But thou didst follow my teaching, conduct, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, patience,

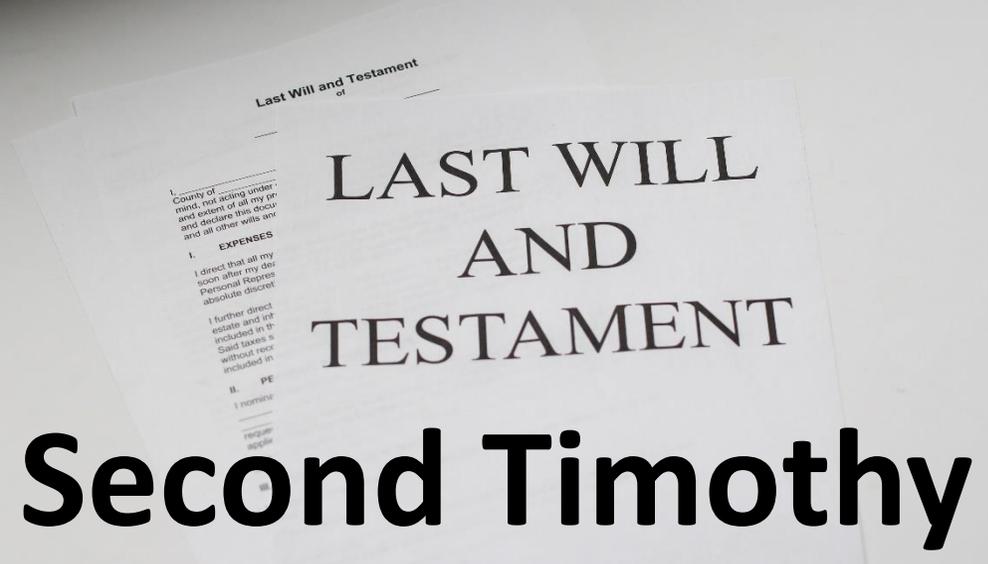
11 persecutions, sufferings. What things befell me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions I endured. And out of them all the Lord delivered me.

12 Yea, and all that would live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.



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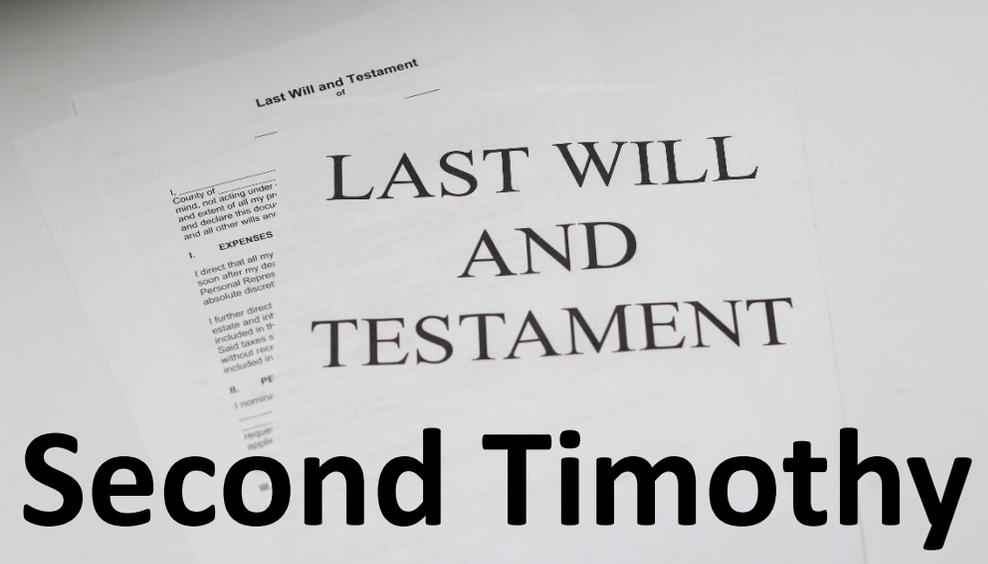


2 Tim. 3:16-17

16 Every scripture inspired of God (is) also profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for instruction which is in righteousness.

17 That the man of God may be complete, furnished completely unto every good work.



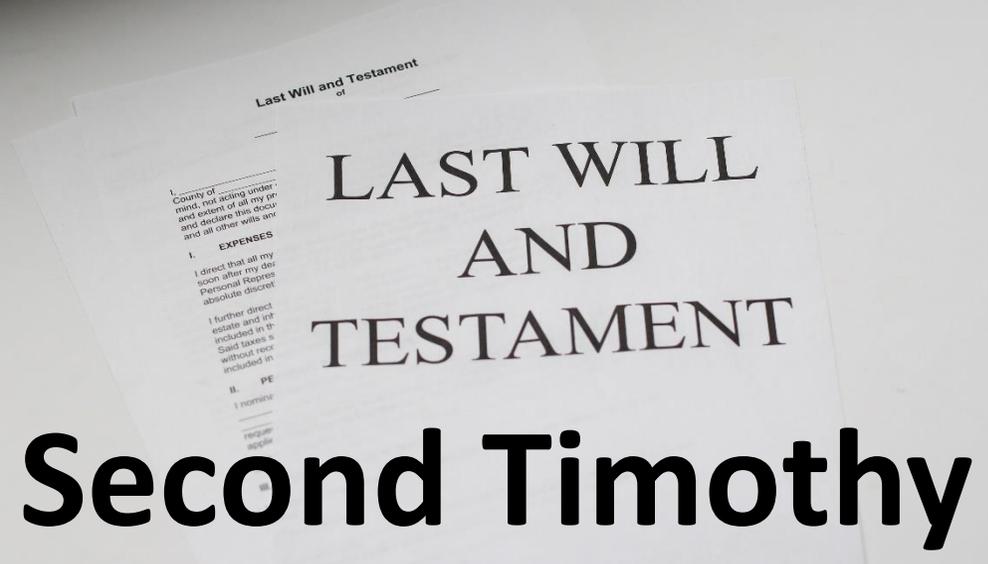


Second Timothy



2 Tim. 4:2-4

preach the word; be urgent in season, out of season; *reprove, rebuke, exhort*, with all longsuffering and teaching. 3 For **the time will come when they will not endure the sound doctrine**; but, having itching ears, will heap to themselves teachers after their own lusts; 4 and will turn away their ears from the truth, and turn aside unto fables.



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Titus

Titus

- Titus is mentioned about 12 times in the NT
- Titus is mentioned most often in 2 Cor.
- Paul's "true child" (Tit. 1:4)
- Paul had significant trust in Titus (Tit. 1:5)
- This book likely written 61-67 A.D.
- Brief book but nevertheless quite important



Titus

- God cannot lie (Tit. 1:2)
- God has “manifested” the word (Tit. 1:3)
- Acts 2:37-38 - **Now when they heard** (this,) they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and the rest of the apostles, Brethren, **what shall we do?** 38 And Peter (said) unto them, *Repent ye, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ unto the remission of your sins; and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.*



Titus



- Acts 2:41 - **They then that received his word were baptized**: and there were added (unto them) in that day about three thousand souls.
- Acts 2:47 - praising God, and having favor with all the people. **And the Lord added to them** day by day those that were saved.
- Acts 2:47 (KJV) - Praising God, and having favour with all the people. **And the Lord added to the church** daily such as should be saved.

Titus



- **Titus 1:5**
- **For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee: *Acts 14:23***
- **Shepherd, bishop, pastor, presbyter, elder, and overseer**
- **Qualifications for elders are in Tit. 1:6-9**
- **There are apostates (Tit. 1:9-16)**

Titus

- Titus 2:2 – guidance for older men
- Titus 2:3 – guidance for older women
- Titus 2:4 – guidance
- Titus 2:10 – no purloining
- Titus 2:12 - *instructing us, to the intent that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly and righteously and godly in this present world;*



Titus

- Titus 3:1 – submission to government
- Titus 3:5 – good works are not enough
- Titus 3:5 –

not by works (done) in righteousness, which we did ourselves, but according to his mercy he saved us, **through the washing of regeneration** and **renewing of the Holy Spirit**,

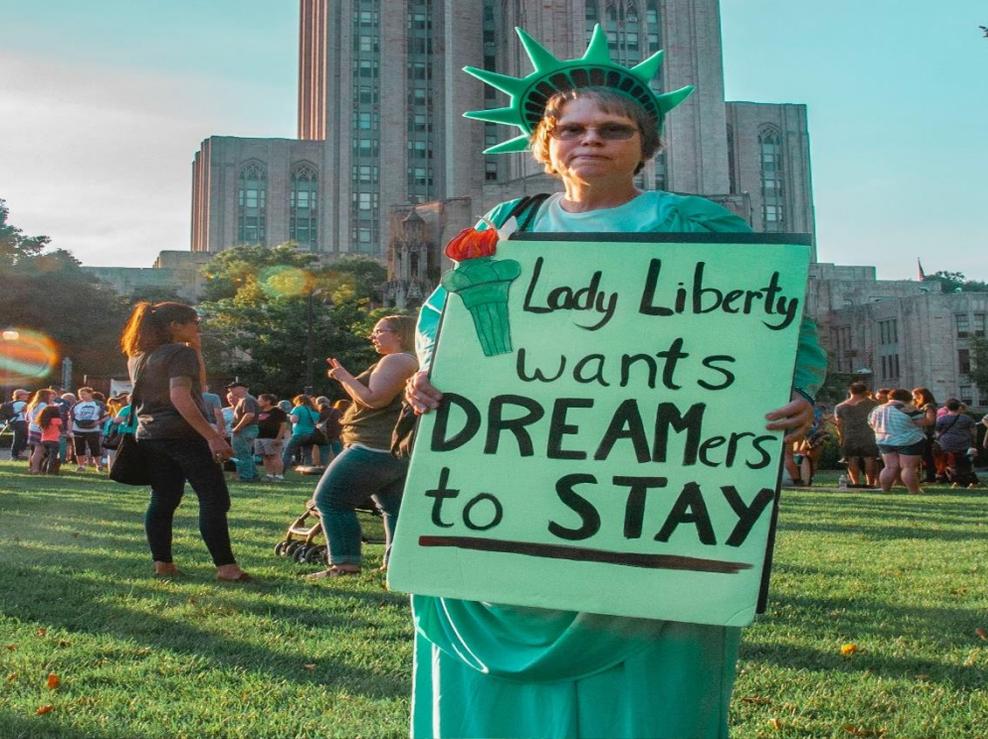
- Titus 3:5 – The “mercy” of God is what we need!





Lady Liberty
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to **STAY**

Philemon



- Illegals are guilty of sin & need the gospel
- Phile. 10 - I beseech thee for my child, whom I have begotten in my bonds, Onesimus,
- What conversion required – v. 12 -



whom **I have sent back to thee in his own person**, that is, my very heart: Compare verse 18.

Can they keep the watch?



Hebrews

- Author of this book is unknown
- Apparently written to Jewish Christians
- These brethren were being persecuted
- Some were tempted to return to Judaism
- Strong warnings in this book about apostasy
- Also strong emphasis on “better/perfection”





Hebrews

Acts 17:23 – “objects of worship”

Col. 2:18 – angel worship



Various “isms” – Mormonism, Hinduism, Buddhism, pantheism, polytheism, Judaism, etc.

Judaism – Moses, temple, feasts, animal sacrifices, special priests



Hebrews

Jesus is “new and better” deliverer

Heb. 1:5 – Relationship to Father

Heb. 1:4 - Jesus better than any angel

Heb. 1:6 – Let all angels worship Jesus

Heb. 1:7-8 – contrast angels w/Jesus



Heb. 3:1-6: Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of a heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our confession, (even) **Jesus**; who was faithful to him that appointed him, as also was Moses in all his house. For **he hath been counted worthy of more glory than Moses**, by so much as he that built the house hath more honor than the house. 4 For every house is builded by some one; but he that built all things is God. And Moses indeed was faithful in all his house as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were afterward to be spoken; **but Christ as a son, over his house**; whose house are we, if we hold fast our boldness and the glorying of our hope firm unto the end. **BETTER LAW GIVER (HEB. 3), BETTER LEADER (HEB. 4), BETTER PRIEST (HEB. 4)**



Hebrews

Better covenant (agreement)

Better promises (8:6-13)

Better sanctuary (9:1-14)

Better sacrifice (9:15-28)

Better results (10:1-18)



Hebrews – **FAITH!**

Heb. 10:19 – BOLDNESS with God!

HEB. 10:22 – TRUE HEART FULL FAITH!

HEB. 10:23 – FIRM GRIP ON OUR HOPE!

HEB. 10:23 – NO REASON TO WAVER!

HEB. 10:25 – EXHORTING 1 ANOTHER

Always been this way (Heb. 11)



Hebrews – **PERFECT!**

Heb. 12:23

to the **general assembly and church of the firstborn** who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of **just men made perfect**





James

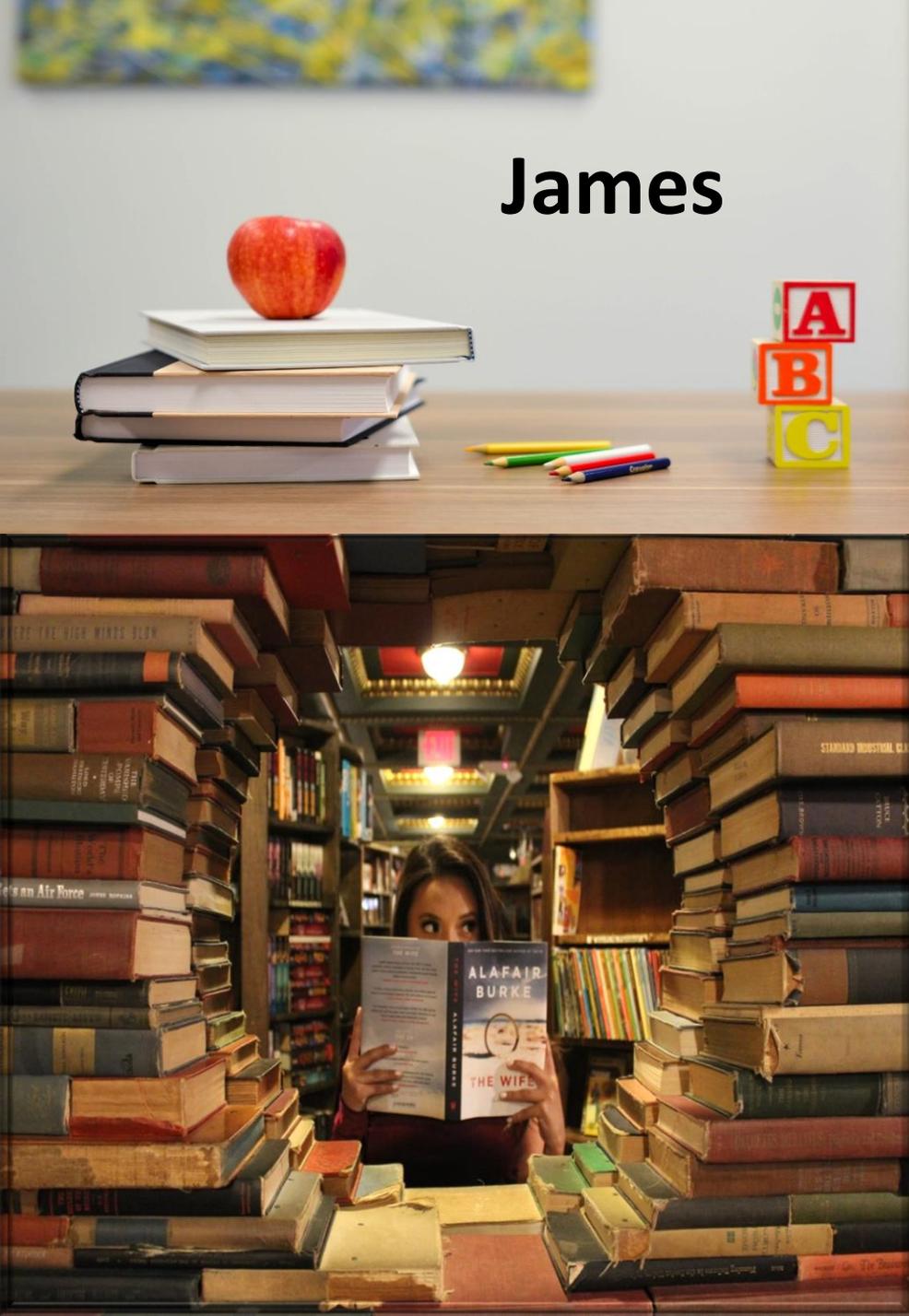


James – Practical Christianity

James

5 main sections in the book of James

- **Trials (1:2-27)**
- **Character of faith (2:1-26)**
- **Controlling the tongue (3:1-18)**
- **The worldly mind (4:1-5:6)**
- **2d coming of Christ (5:7-20)**



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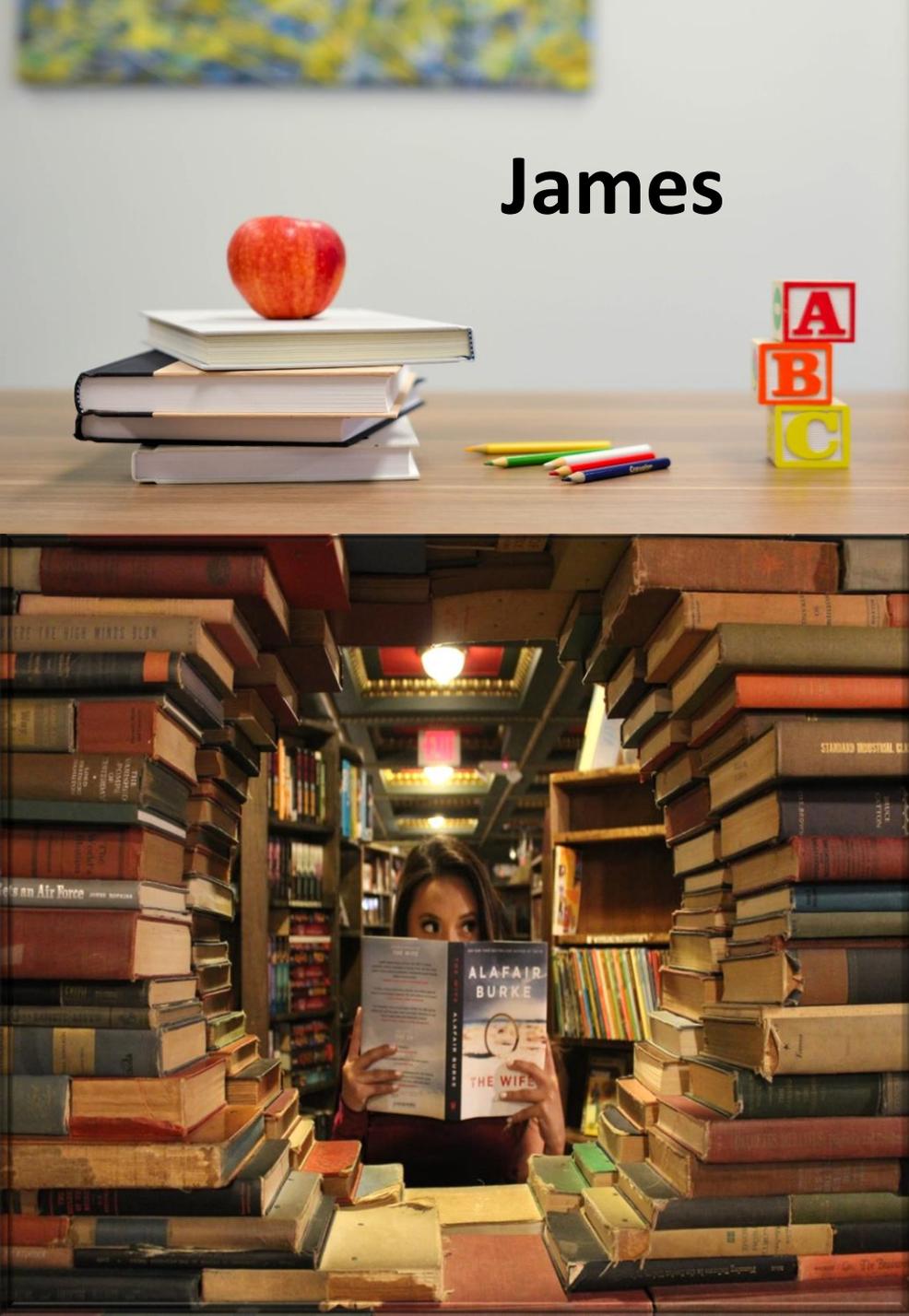
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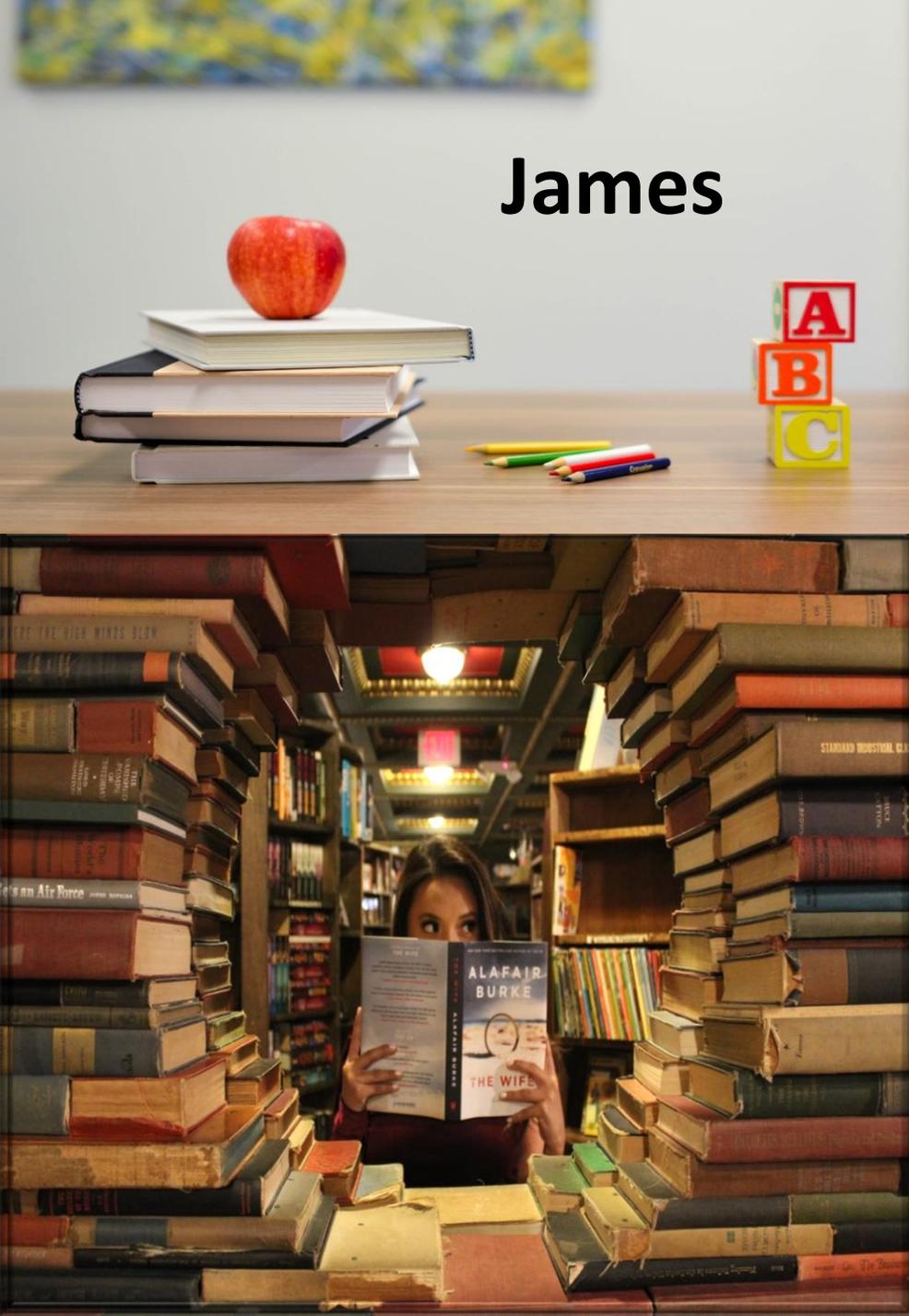
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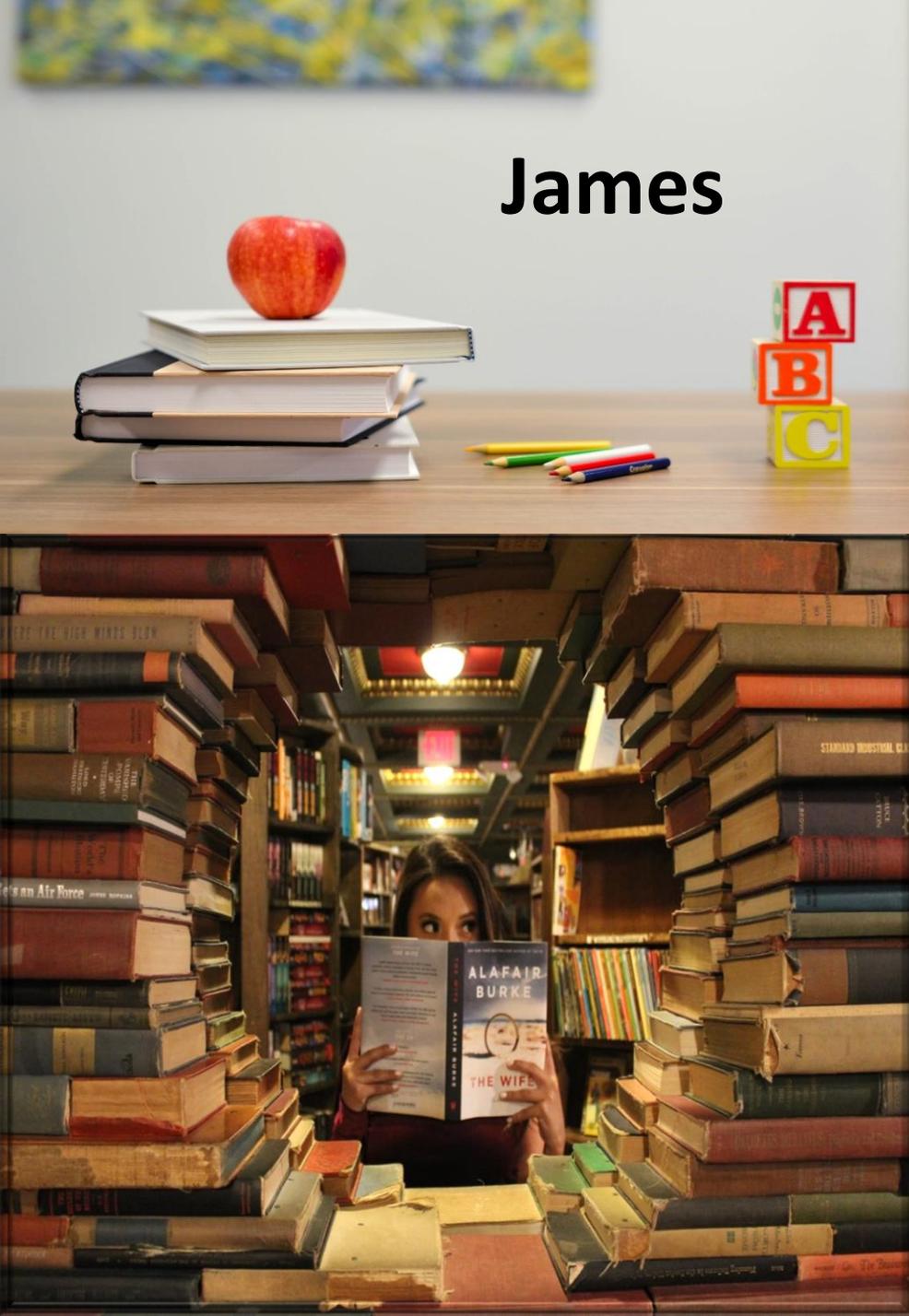
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Aliens and strangers?

First Peter – Strangers & Aliens

CHAPTER 1:

Obedience (1:2)!

Living hope (1:3)!

Eternal inheritance (1:4)!

Guarded by God (1:5)!

Trials (1:6)!

Salvation of our souls (1:9-10)!

Holiness is a must (1:16)!

Blood of Christ was shed for us (1:19)

Souls purified by obedience (1:22)



First Peter – Strangers & Aliens

CHAPTER 2:

Get rid of filth (2:1)

Be like infant seeking milk (2:2)

Be like a living stone (2:5)

Elect race, priesthood, nation (2:9)

We were nothing (1 Pet. 2:10)

Aliens and strangers (1 Pet. 2:11)

Obey civil government (1 Pet. 2:13)



First Peter – Strangers & Aliens

CHAPTER 3:

Married women (3:1-6)

Married men (3:7)

Kind, compassionate, tender (3:8)

Don't seek to retaliate (3:9)

God watches over righteous (3:12)

Be prepared to tell who we are (3:15)

How do I become an alien? (3:21)



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Second Peter 1:3 – 100%

“seeing that his divine power hath granted unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that called us by his own glory and virtue;”

Jn. 16:13 – “**all** the truth”

Jude 3 – “faith **once delivered**”

2 Tim. 3:16-17 – The Bible “**fully equips** for EVERY good work”

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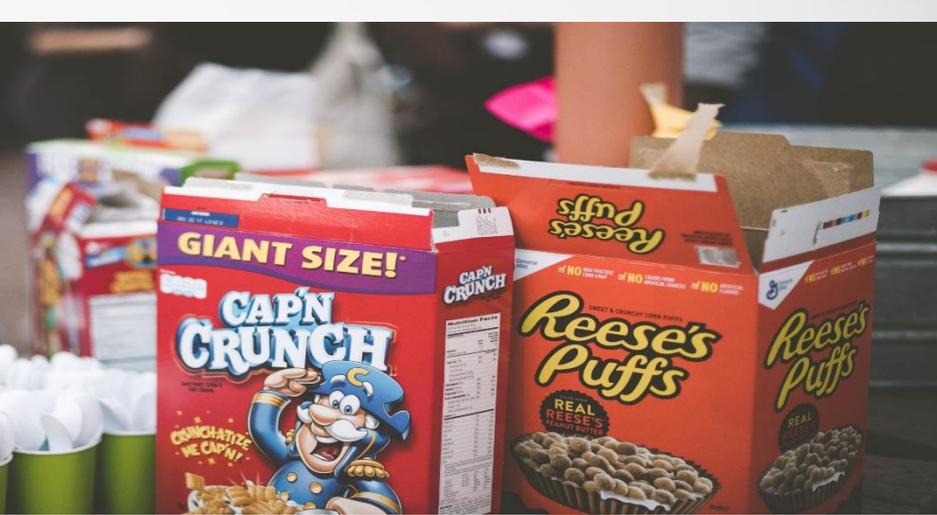
Becoming a Christian:

What must we do (Acts 2:37)

“I need a guide” (Acts 8:31)

Had to hear (Acts 11:14)

“What must I do” (Acts 16:30)



Jn. 4:24 – Worship God
“in spirit and truth”

Eph. 5:19 – “1 another”

Regularity (Acts 2:42)

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Subjects in this “complete book:

Anxiety, assurance, bad language,
bitterness, *business*, *change*,
children, citizenship, clothing,
commitment, *contentment*,
courage, criticism, death, decisions,
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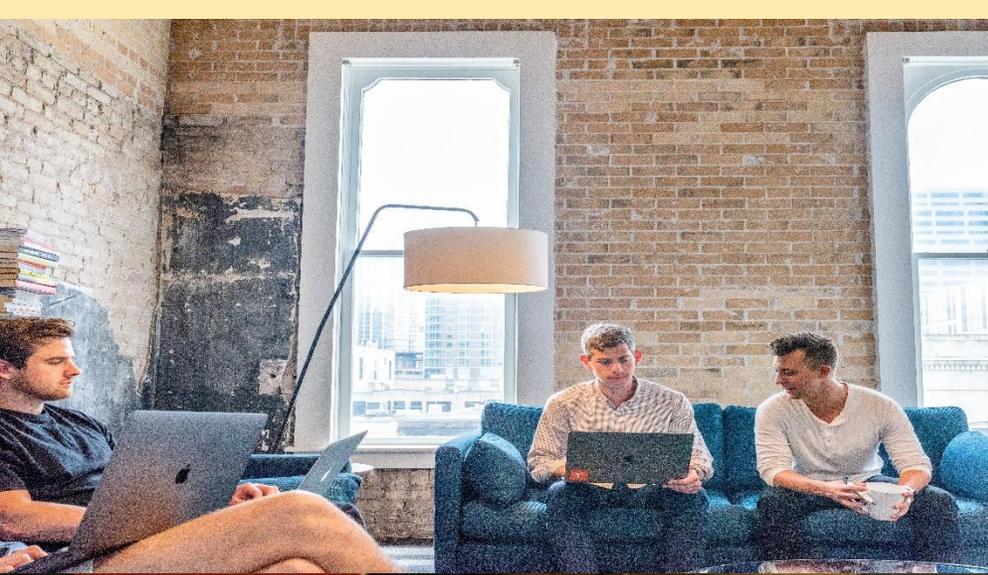
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“Street epistemology”

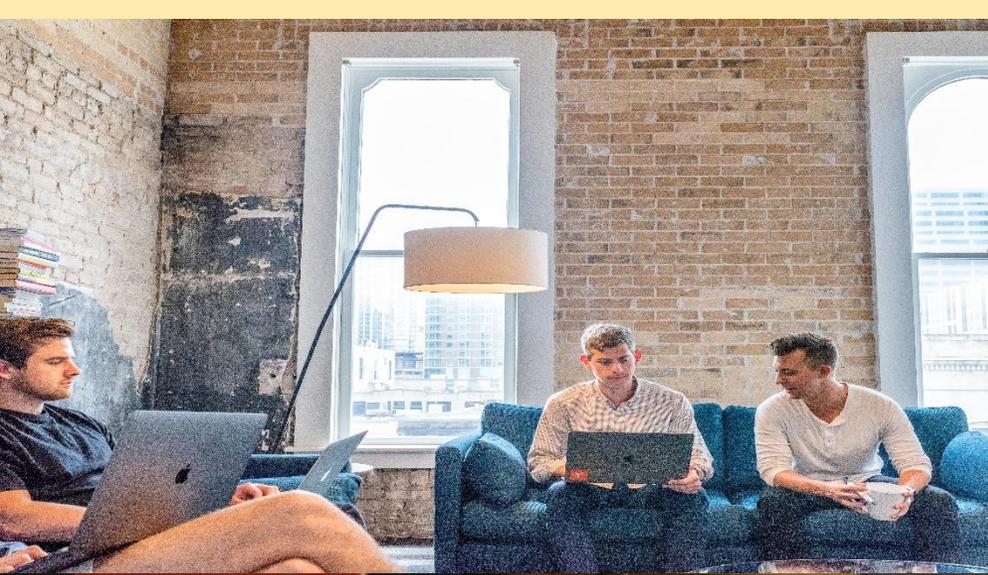


2d Pet. - Street uh·pi·stuh·maa·luh·jee

“Conversational technique introduced in 2013 by Dr. Peter. Boghossian, Assistant Professor of Philosophy at Portland State University” –

<https://streetepistemology.com/publications/street-epistemology-the-basics>

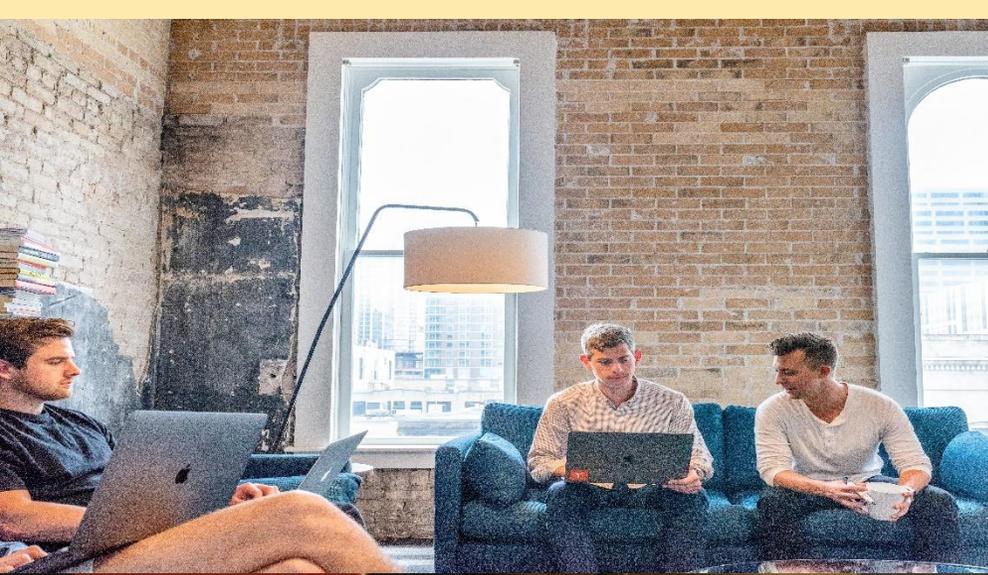
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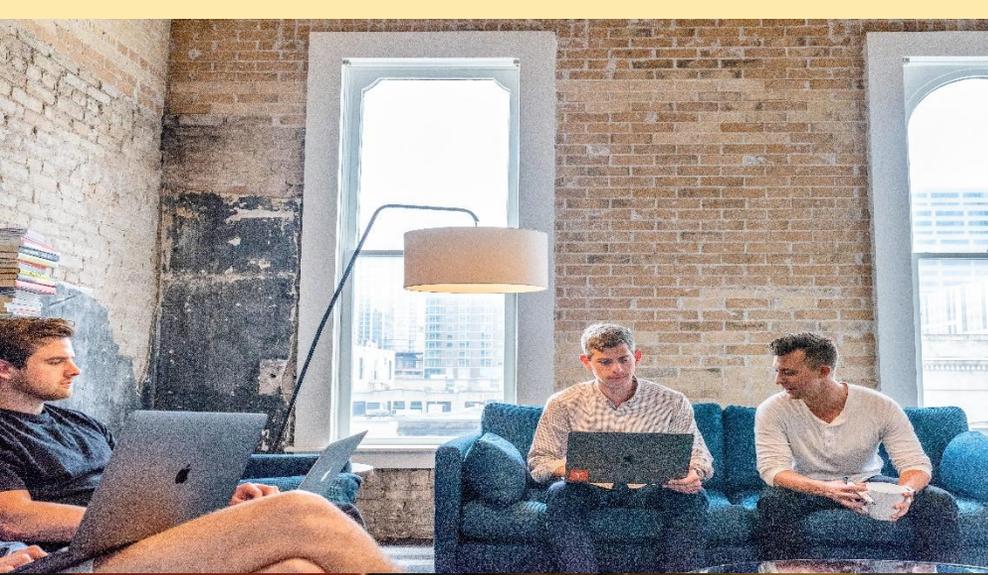
“is a more productive and positive alternative to debates and arguments.

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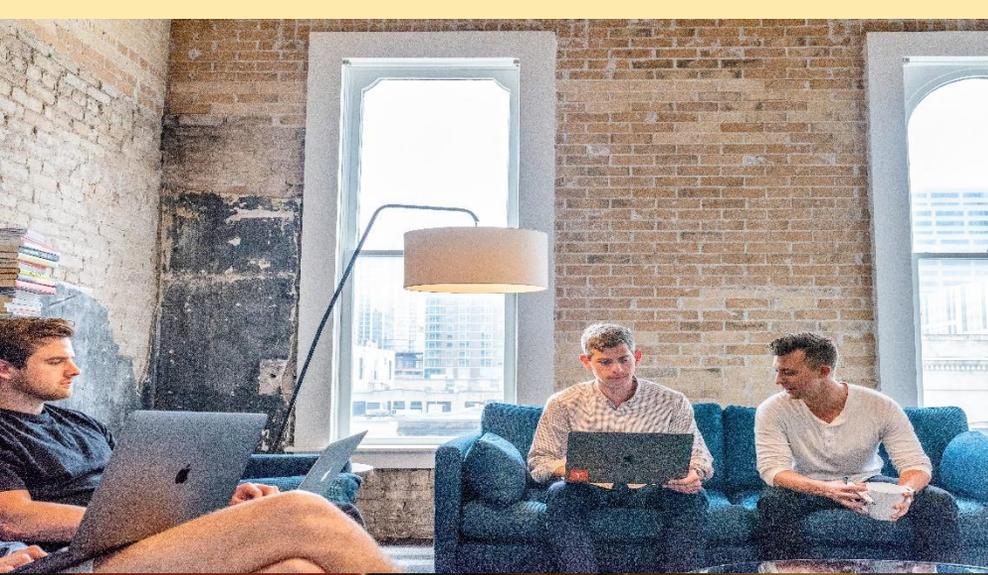
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Street uh·pi·stuh·maa·luh·jee “works best in one-on-one conversations where both participants can apply their full attention to what the other is trying to say. Although direct, real-world encounters are most efficient, people are also experimenting actively with other mediums such as video-chat and online text forums with some success.”



2d Pet. - Street uh·pi·stuh·maa·luh·jee

1. **Build rapport with your prospect**
2. **“Identify the claim”** – this mimics:
 - a. Acts 2 (Jews & Pentecost)
 - b. Acts 8 (Ethiopian eunuch)
 - c. Acts 10 (Cornelius, a Gentile)
3. **Confirm the claim**
4. **Clarify definitions**



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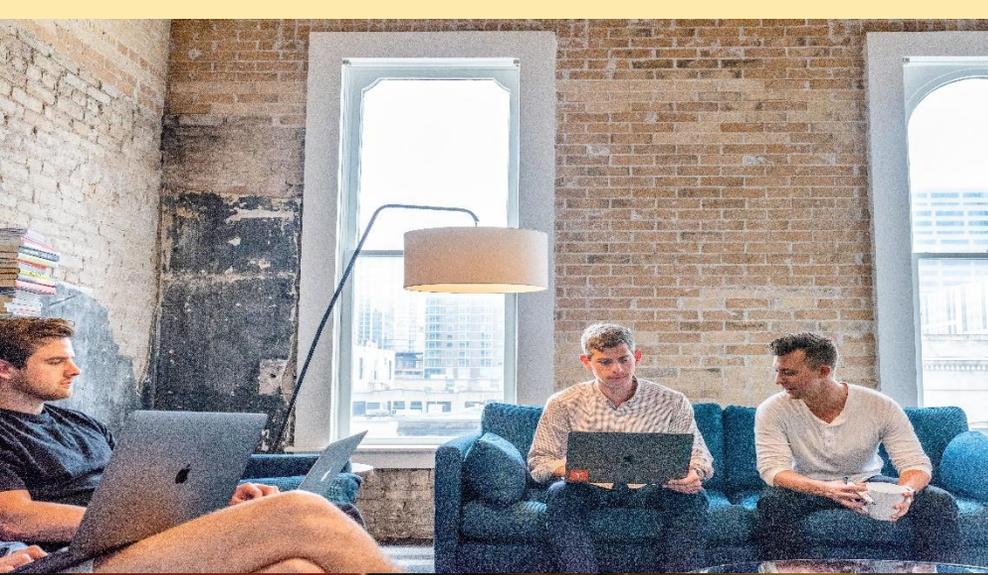
5. Identify confidence level reason

6. Ask challenging questions

7. Listen, summarize, question, watch, repeat

8. Assess where to go from here

9. **NEVER FORGET!** *Define you scale*



2d Pet. 2 - Street uh·pi·stuh·maa·luh·jee

False teachers / destructive heresy, v. 1

Many will follow them, v. 2a

The right way w/be spoken evil of, v. 2b

Daring, self-willed, no fear, v. 10

People without reason, v. 12

Enticing unsteadfast souls, v. 14

Forsaking the right way, v. 15

Springs without water, v. 17

Utter great swelling words, v. 18

Promise liberty while slaves, v. 19





2d Pet. 3 – End of the World

2 Peter 3:10 - But the **(1)** day of the Lord will come **(2)** as a thief; in the which **(3)** the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and **(4)** the elements shall be dissolved with fervent heat, and **(5)** the earth and the works that are therein shall be burned up. **Acts 2:16, 20; Mt. 24:38-39; 2 Pet. 3:3-4; Rev. 20:9; Mt. 25:31; Jn. 5:28-29; Mt. 25.; Heb. 1:11-12.**



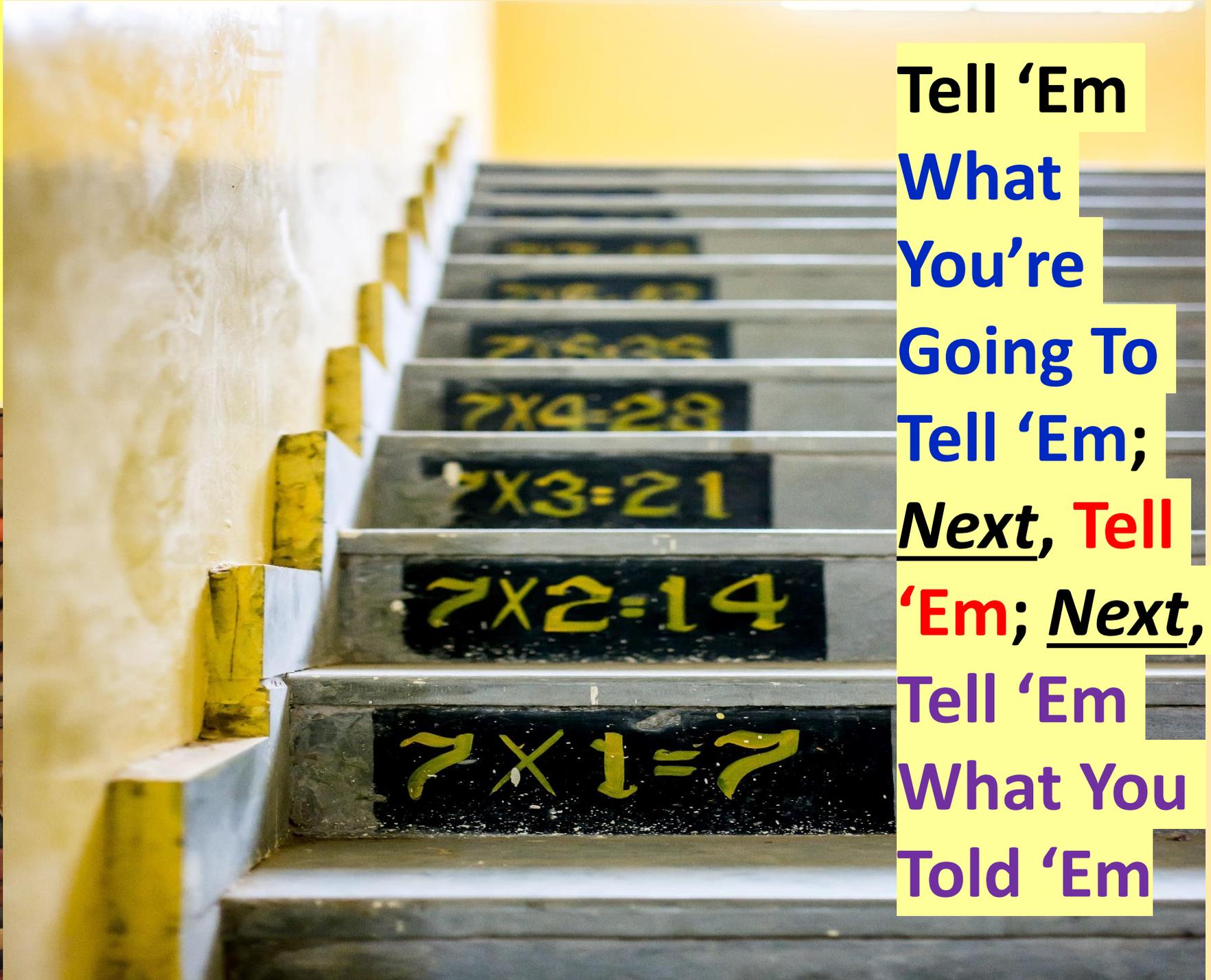
2d Pet. 3 – End of the World

2 Peter 3:11

Seeing that these things are thus all to be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in (all) holy living and godliness,



First John



Tell 'Em
What
You're
Going To
Tell 'Em;
Next, Tell
'Em; Next,
Tell 'Em
What You
Told 'Em

1st John - Tell 'Em
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Reason #1 - 1 Jn. 1:3 -
that which **we** have
seen and **heard**
declare we unto you
also, that ye also may
have **fellowship** with
us: yea, and our
fellowship is with **the**
Father, and with his
Son Jesus Christ:
Mt. 14:21

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Reason #2 - 1 Jn. 1:4 -

and these things we
write, that **our joy**
may be made full.

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Reason #3 - 1 Jn. 2:1 -
My little children,
**these things write I
unto you that ye may
not sin. And if any
man sin, we have an
Advocate with the
Father, Jesus Christ
the righteous:**

**1st John - Tell 'Em
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Reason #4 - 1 Jn. 2:13-17 -

- Acquired the right knowledge
- Used this knowledge to overcome devil
- Became strong through this knowledge
- What you know will offer some protection against the world
- The way of the world is bad
- Eternal life is available

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Reason #5 - 1 Jn. 2:21-24 -

**21 – know the truth &
no lie is of the truth**

**22 – those who deny
Christ are liars &
antichrist**

**23 – Father and Son go
together.**

24 – be faithful

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Reason #6 - 1 Jn. 2:26 -

I am writing these
things to you about
**those whose purpose
is that you may be
turned out of the true
way.**

**1st John - Tell 'Em
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'Em**



Reason #7 - 1 Jn. 5:13 -

**These things have I
written unto you,
that **ye may know**
that ye have eternal
life, (even) unto you
that believe on the
name of the Son of
God.**

**1st John - Tell 'Em
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7 contrasts

- ❖ **Light** versus darkness (1:5-2:11)
- ❖ **Father** versus the world (2:12-17)
- ❖ **Christ** versus Anti Christ (2:18-28)
- ❖ **Good works** versus evil works (2:29-3:24)
- ❖ **Holy Spirit** versus error (4:1-6)
- ❖ **Love** versus presence (4:7-21)
- ❖ **The godly** versus others (5:1-21)

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7 tests

1 John 1:6

*If we say that we
have fellowship
with him and walk
in the darkness, we
lie, and do not the
truth:*

Prov. 2:13; 1 Jn. 1:5

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7 tests

1 John 1:8

*If we say that we
have no sin, we
deceive ourselves,
and the truth is
not in us.*

1st John - Tell 'Em
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7 tests

1 John 1:10

*If we say that we
have not sinned,
we make him a
liar, and his word
is not in us.*

1st John - Tell 'Em
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7 tests

1 John 2:4

*He that saith, I
know him, and
keepeth not his
commandments,
is a liar, and the
truth is not in him;*

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Liar

**1st John - Tell 'Em
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'Em**



7 tests

1 John 2:6

*he that saith he
abideth in him
ought himself also
to walk even as
he walked.*

Phil. 4:13; Col. 2:6, 10;
Book of 1 John; Jn. 8:29

1st John - Tell 'Em
What You're Going
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7 tests

1 John 2:9

*He that saith he is
in the light and
hateth his
brother, is in the
darkness even
until now.*

1st John - Tell 'Em
What You're Going
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'Em



7 tests
1 John 4:20

*If a man say, I love
God, and hateth his
brother, he is a liar:*
*for he that loveth not
his brother whom he
hath seen, cannot love
God whom he hath
not seen. Jn. 14:15*



Liar



Jude – an “intense” book

- “Contend for the faith” (**Jude 3**)
- **WHY** we must contend (verses 1-16)
- **HOW** to contend (rest of the book)



Jude – “**COMMON SALVATION**”

- ✓ I said the sinner’s prayer
- ✓ I accepted Jesus into my heart
- ✓ I confessed Jesus as Lord
- ✓ “Baptized in the Holy Spirit”
- ✓ “God spoke to Me”
- ✓ I had a special feeling
- ✓ I prayed with a preacher
- ✓ I was confirmed in a church
- ✓ I was sprinkled as a baby
- ✓ I prayed to God for salvation



Jude – The Faith

Jude 3 - Beloved, while I was giving all diligence to write unto you of our common salvation, I was constrained to write unto you exhorting you to contend earnestly for **the faith** which was once for all delivered unto the saints.



Jude – Wrestling

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Jude – an “intense” book

- ✓ The Hebrews (v. 5)
- ✓ Angels (v. 6)
- ✓ Sodom & Gomorrah (v. 7)
- ✓ Historical figures (v. 8-11)
- ✓ Metaphors (v. 12-16)
- ✓ Know **WHY** to *contend*
and **HOW** to *contend*

Jude – Enemies of God

Verse 4:

- ✓ **Denying Jesus**
- ✓ **Abusing God's grace**
- ✓ **Acted secretly**
- ✓ **This was not a surprise**



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Or, nature in this passage (And...
The G... that uncertain. Some ancient
is... And some refute while they
thor... you. Comp. 1 Tim. 5. 20; Tit.
9. while they dispute with you

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comp.
1 Cor 3.
s Comp.
Rev. 3. 4;
Zech.3.3 f.

dominion and power, before a
and now, and for evermore. A
See Rom. 16. 25 u See 2 Cor. 4. 14 v 1
See Jn. 5. 44; 1 Tim. 1. 17 y See Lk. 1. 4
m. 11.36 a Comp. Heb. 13. 8
5 Gr. unto all the ages.

SHOWS BOOK CAN BE UNDERSTOOD

MEANS "UNVEILING, REVEALING"

THE REVELATION OF JOHN

Rev 1:1, 19, 22:17

REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST

THE TIME IS AT HAND - JESUS COMES QUICKLY
CHRIST IS VICTORIOUS OVER HIS ENEMIES
REIGN WITH HIM. The Revelation of Jesus Christ.

INTERPRETS EX. 2:14
To the

The Revelation of Jē'-sūs Christ,
which ^aGod ¹gave him to ^bshow
his ²servants, even ^cthe things
must shortly come to pass: and
and signified ³it ^dby his angel

CHAP. 1
a Comp.
ch. 5. 7;
Jn. 17. 8
b ch. 22. 6
c ver. 19;

shall
A-r...
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the Lord God,
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Key Ideas in Revelation

Abyss – a place for demons

Armageddon – battles and wars (Rev. 12:17)

Babylon – The world can meet all your needs

Balaam – false teaching

Beasts – 2 of them – false religion/evil gov.

Book of life – the people Satan wars against

Death and Hades – death comes & then held

Bride / wife of Lamb – the saved

Lake of fire and brimstone – the unsaved

Great white throne – final judgment

Gates – C. of Christ always open (Rev. 21:25)

ALL people are “marked and numbered” 14:1

