

Text: 2 Timothy 2:14-19
Topics: Arguments, Sanctification, Sound Doctrine
Series: Fulfilling Our Calling

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Address the Foolish Talk

I. Remind Them (14)

Don't get drawn into useless arguments!

Application: *Discuss disciple-making!*

II. Restrain Your Words (15-18)

Accurately understand Scripture.

Avoid empty arguments.

Application: *Pursue a growing understanding and application of Scripture to my life.*

The best way to counter frivolous and false talk is with sound doctrine, and sinless living!

III. Rest Assured (19)

*If I've given myself to the Lord,
He knows I am His,
and thus, I strive against sin.*

Application: *Don't be shaken in my own faith by those who spread false doctrine, but press on in what I know.*

Application Questions - *These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group, for even more benefit.*

1. Have you seen fruitless arguing and discussions in a church? What were the results? What effect did it have on you and on others?

2. Read 1 Timothy 1:3-11. What concerned Paul over what was happening in the church that he left Timothy in charge of?

How would sound teaching of the gospel (v. 10c-11) help achieve the goals given in verse 5?

Have you seen these goals of sound doctrine accomplish things in your life? Give some examples.

3. Read 1 Timothy 4:6-10 and 1 Timothy 6:3-5, 11. What kind of teaching and discussion did Paul tell Timothy should, and should not, take place among believers?

What is the desired outcome of teaching and discussions among believers?

Think about your discussions with other believers. What helps, and what hinders, this desired outcome in your life? (Consider your own thoughts and attitude in addition to what is discussed)

4. Our spiritual growth and gaining victory over sin can be discouraging. Read John 10:27-30. What does Jesus say that He does, and what does He say His followers do?

How is this encouraging?

5. What is the main application of this study, and/or the sermon and its passages, for you?