2 Timothy 2:12-19 Part 6 Participants Guide – 2 Timothy Series

The Main Idea: Hold it High. Guard it Well. Pass it On

Discussion Questions:

- Read through the book of 2 Timothy 2:13-19. Jot down what stands out to you.
- Read 2 Timothy 2:13, 2 Peter 1:12-13. Why does Paul keep 'reminding" and "warning" Timothy?
- Why is Paul so concerned about "quarreling about words?" Agree or disagree with this statement, "Defend the truth, not opinions."
- Read 2 Timothy 2:15, 2 Corinthians 4:2, 1 Thessalonians 2:4. Why are we to 'Do your best" to stand approved before God? Why is it important to "correctly handle the word of truth?"

"Beware of overweight nutritionists, attorneys serving prison sentences, physicians who chain smoke, bankrupt financial advisors and preachers who live contrary to the word of God." Swindoll

• Read 2 Timothy 2:16-17, Titus 3:9, 1 Timothy 6:20. Why are we to 'avoid godless chatter?" What harm can come from it? What must you do with gangrene/cancer?

Foolish talk that only leads to more godless behavior

 Read 2 Timothy 2:17-18, 2 Timothy 4:4, Acts 19:33, 1 Corinthians 15:12, 2 Thessalonians 2:1-4, 2 Peter 2:1–2, Acts 20:28–30, 1 Thessalonians 5:21–22. Why were Hymenaeus and Philetus such a danger?

The world system will always find Christian doctrine either offensive or absurd. The issues change, but the tension remains. "The word of truth" demands a choice.

• Read 2 Timothy 2:19. Look at the passages that confirm the two inscriptions. How do these encourage you?

Inscription #1 - "THE LORD KNOWS THOSE WHO ARE HIS."

- Are His: John 10:27-28, 2 Thessalonians 2:1, John 6:37–40, Eph. 1:4, Rom. 8:29–30, John 10:14, Romans 8:29, 1 Corinthians 8:3,
- Elect: Matthew 24:31, Romans 8:33, Colossians 3:12, 2 Timothy 2:10,
- Faith in Jesus: John 3:16, 11:25-26

Inscription #2 - "EVERYONE WHO NAMES THE NAME OF THE LORD IS TO ABSTAIN FROM WICKEDNESS."

Read John 14:15, Ephesians 1 John 3:6, 9, 5:18

Action:

 How FIRM is your FOUNDATION? Read the Hymn, how does it encourage you?

How Firm a Foundation Originally titled "Exceedingly Great and Precious Promises" Known author only "K"

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word! What more can He say than to you He hath said, You, who unto Jesus for refuge have fled?

In every condition, in sickness, in health; In poverty's vale, or abounding in wealth; At home and abroad, on the land, on the sea, As thy days may demand, shall thy strength ever be.

Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed, For I am thy God and will still give thee aid; I'll strengthen and help thee, and cause thee to stand Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call thee to go, The rivers of woe shall not thee overflow; For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless, And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

When through fiery trials thy pathways shall lie, My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply; The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

Even down to old age all My people shall prove My sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love; And when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn, Like lambs they shall still in My bosom be borne.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes; That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

PRAYER REQUESTS