

THE PASTORAL EPISTLES

I & II Timothy, Titus and Philemon

“God Speaks to His Church”

Shipwreck of Faith—I Timothy 1:18-20
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A. Context

1. Paul’s instruction to young Timothy in Ephesus
2. Preach and Teach the Word of God accurately

B. Text

1. A command has been entrusted to Timothy v. 18
2. Fighting for the faith v. 18
 - a. The good fight
 - 1) We fight against the World John 15:18, 19; I John 2:15-17
 - 2) We fight against the Devil Ephesians 6:10-12
 - 3) We fight against our Flesh I Peter 2:11
 - b. The bad fight
 - 1) We fight against each other Galatians 5:15; James 4:1-2
 - 2) We fight in the flesh II Corinthians 10:3-4
 - 3) We fight against God’s purposes Matthew 16:21-23
3. Shipwreck of their faith vs. 19-20
 - a. Rejection of faith
 - b. Rejection of a good conscience
 - 1) What is the conscience?
 - 2) Types of conscience
 - Good Acts 23:1; I Timothy 1:19
 - Evil Hebrews 10:22
 - Seared/Defiled Titus 1:15; I Timothy 4:1-2
 - Weak I Corinthians 8:9-12
 - c. Example of Hymenaeus and Alexander
 - 1) Sin of blasphemy
 - 2) “Handed over to Satan”

Issues of church discipline—Matthew 18:15-20

C. APPLICATION