

# *II Timothy*

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14 Keep reminding them of these things. Warn them before God against quarreling about words; it is of no value, and only ruins those who listen.

15 Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

16 Avoid godless chatter, because those who indulge in it will become more and more ungodly.

17 Their teaching will spread like gangrene. Among them are Hymenaeus and Philetus,

18 who have wandered away from the truth. They say that the resurrection has already taken place, and they destroy the faith of some.

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**If we died with Him, we will also live with Him. Martyred? Dead in Christ? Both true!**

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**If we endure (hardships, 2:3,10), we will reign with Him. That's been his whole point...**

The next contrast is with those who *never were saved*. What is it? 2:12b; Mt.10:33; IJn.2:19

**In the hardships (trials), those who deny Him, He will deny. This is permanent denial.**

And again, what about those with *no faith* (faithless)? 2:13; Num.23:19; Heb.6:18

**He remains faithful to Himself. Jn.3:16, 18. He who believes not is condemned already.**

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**Keep (continually) reminding them (Ephesians, teachers) of these things. Warn them!**

Why the warning (re quarreling w/unbelievers)? 2:14b,16-17; ITim.6:4-5; Titus 3:9-11

**Quarreling about 'words' (doctrinal) is of no value, ruins saved/unsaved who listen to it.**

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**Work hard to present yourself to God (review), unashamed, correctly handling the Word.**

What's one thing that is dangerous re false teaching (spiritual Ebola!)? 2:16-18; ITim.1:18-20

**It spreads like gangrene! Corrupting/destroying. Hymenaeus and Philetus are examples!**

What was this *specific false teaching* and its effect? 2:18; cp. IThess.4:13-18 & ICor.15:12

**That the resurrection has already taken place. This destroyed the faith of some. Serious!!**

After this stern warning/example, what does he affirm? 2:19-20; Jn.10:14, 27-30; Titus 2:11-14

**The Lord knows who are His! And they are to turn away from wickedness.**

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