

2 Timothy

Lesson 3 — 2 Timothy 3.1-17

In this section of 2 Timothy, Paul talks about the challenges that were in front of believers. Like we see in other epistles (2 Thessalonians 2.3), Paul warns of a drastic departure from the faith that seemed to be in the early stages of development. But, as with any departure from the faith, Paul reminds Timothy that the answer to such departures is in a whole-hearted dedication to God's word.

- 1) What condition would identify "the last days"?
A) _____
- 2) What sins are mentioned in 3.2-5 that we might not have expected to see?
A) _____
- 3) What are the characteristics of the false teachers Paul describes in 3.6-9?
A) _____

- 4) What did God always do for Paul?
A) _____
- 5) How does Galatians 6.17 impact our understanding of the answer to #4?
A) _____
- 6) What characteristic of evil does the Holy Spirit reveal in 3.13?
A) _____
- 7) What is God's word good for?
A) _____

THOUGHT QUESTIONS:

- 1) What does Paul mean by the phrase "last days" in 3.1? We see this phrase used in the following passages: Acts 2.17; 2 Timothy 3.1; Hebrews 1.2; James 5.3; 2 Peter 3.3; consider 1 Timothy 4.1, as well.