



2 Timothy 2:14-26
God's Construction Workers

Re-Read:

Re-read this section of the letter again some time this week. Who are some people in your life who have had uncompromising integrity and left an impression on you?

Review:

Outline from Sunday's Sermon

- A. Remind of Truth (v. 14)
- B. Remedy Confusion (v. 15)
- C. Resist Empty Chatter (vv. 16-18)
- D. [Two Illustrations]
 - 1. Temple (v. 19)
 - 2. House (vv. 20-21)
- E. Run Away, Run To (v. 22)
- F. Reject Controversy (v. 23)
- G. Rectify Error (vv. 24-26)

Respond:

- 1) This section can lead us to think that Paul's teaching has no relevance for anyone "not in ministry." How does this section relate to all believers — regardless of their vocation?
- 2) Who are you called to remind of truth in your life? Who has God placed under your care and authority? How can you remind them of truth?
- 3) What kind of irreverent babble needs to be eliminated in your life? How have you seen such "babble" spread like gangrene in a local church?
- 4) Paul is likely referring to the rebellion of the sons of Korah in Numbers 16. At some point, read that chapter and discover how the Lord deals with those who would cause dissension among His people.
- 5) Consider the list of virtues in v. 22. How do you need to grow in each of these virtues?
- 6) How does the word "servant" (v. 24) summarize this entire section? Are you a "servant" of the Lord?

Reflect:

There are many, many different commands, vices, and virtues that Paul lists here. The overall point is that God's agents in the church are required to be men and women of character. Consider a few of these commands that the Holy Spirit is particularly pointing you to. How might you particularly grow in this area?