

“NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH, SO HELP ME GOD”

1 Timothy 3:14 – 4:16

The Teaching Ministry of Highly Effective Mentors

INTRO

Message

- I. They teach faithful men and women that TRUTH MATTERS (3:14-16).
 - A. The Church is the pillar and support of the TRUTH (14-15).
 - B. There is ONLY ONE COMMON CONFESSION of faith (16).
- II. They teach faithful men and women that WITHOUT TRUTH SATAN TRIUMPHS (4:1-5)
 - A. The Church will always have counterfeit teachers (1-2).
 - B. Their legalistic, false teaching will contradict the TRUTH (3-5).
- III. They teach faithful men and women how to PROCLAIM & DEFEND THE TRUTH IN THE PUBLIC ARENA (6-16).
 - A. Gifted servants must TEACH BIBLICAL AND SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY for life change (6-12).
 - B. Gifted servants must STUDY and PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE SPIRITUAL LIFE AND TO THEOLOGY (13-16).

Life Applications

■ For Seekers

No! All paths do not lead to the same God. The Bible is the revealed will of God. It is the only truth about God. That is why Jesus said, “I am the way and the truth and the life, no one comes to the Father but by me.” If you choose to reject the revealed will of God about the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ, you will perish in your sin. Romans 6:23 says: “For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord.” Nine times in Romans 3:21-31 it says you must believe in Jesus in order to go to heaven. Will you?

■ For Teens

1 John 2:14b says: “I have written to you, young men (and women), because you are strong, and the Word of God abides in you, and you have overcome the evil one.” What a testimony! What a mature group of teens! They were powerfully influencing their peers. It’s time to get serious about your ministry to lost teenagers. No one else can reach them like you can! You have the truth! Do something with it!

■ For Faithful Men and Women

Major Bible Themes, our 52-week doctrinal study, begins June 13, 9:00 a.m. Please be there! There are no excuses for spiritual ignorance. The book, *Major Bible Themes*, is on sale for \$14.95 (22.95) at the Family Bookstore, East Towne Mall, in Madison.

■ For Mentors

“The Sons of Issachar understood the times and knew what Israel should do.” 1 Chron. 12:23. Keep reading! Study contemporary theological issues! Know what you are talking about!