

# 1 Timothy

## Lesson 7 — Correcting False Teaching (4.1-16)

In chapter 4, Paul gives a specific focus to the content of Timothy's evangelism. There are times when broad principles need to be shared and generic messages are in order. But there are also times when specific actions, thoughts, and doctrines must be examined, studied, and in some cases, exposed. Timothy, as a good evangelist, was to dedicate himself to sharing the Gospel, even the parts that might upset some people. "Prescribe and teach these things," Paul counseled.

- 1) What does Paul mention is a possibility for Christians in verse 1?  
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- 2) What notable teachings distinguished those about whom the Spirit was prophesying in verse 1?  
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- 3) In what are we to be nourished to avoid such a fate?  
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- 4) Where should those of the household of God put their efforts and energy?  
A) \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) Timothy was to give attention to what three things until Paul's coming?  
A) \_\_\_\_\_

### THOUGHT QUESTIONS:

- 1) Is responding to those who forbid marriage or advocate abstaining from certain foods important? Isn't this making a big deal out of nothing?
- 2) "Nothing is to be rejected if it is received with gratitude." Does this mean that, as long as I express thankfulness, nothing is objectively wrong?
- 3) Why was Timothy told to "pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching"?