

Scripture this week:

2 Timothy 3:1-9

¹But understand this, that in the last days there will come times of difficulty. ²For people will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, ³heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not loving good, ⁴treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, ⁵having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power. Avoid such people. ⁶For among them are those who creep into households and capture weak women, burdened with sins and led astray by various passions, ⁷always learning and never able to arrive at a knowledge of the truth. ⁸Just as Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses, so these men also oppose the truth, men corrupted in mind and disqualified regarding the faith. ⁹But they will not get very far, for their folly will be plain to all, as was that of those two men.

Sometimes, Enough is Enough

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There will be some people bitterly opposed to the truth of the gospel.

We should not keep making investments in those unwilling to consider the truth about Jesus.

Notes:

Life Group Questions:

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1. How would you summarize the main idea(s) of this text?
2. When are the '*last days*' that Paul is talking about in v.1? Are we currently in them or are they future still?
3. Why are things going to be so difficult for Timothy (and other church leaders) in the days ahead?
4. Looking at the list of negative characteristics in vv. 2-5, which (if any) do you tend to struggle with the most? What sort of growth have you experienced in this area as you've been walking with Jesus?
5. When Paul tells Timothy to "*avoid such people,*" what specific people does he have in mind? Describe the type of avoidance that you think Paul means (hint: it's not cold dismissal and writing them off completely).
6. In your own life, how do you know when enough is enough...when you have poured enough time and energy into a certain person who just doesn't seem to want to follow the truth?
7. What encouragement does Paul give Timothy in v. 9 that helps to instill confidence that God has this all under control?
8. How can the Life Group be praying for you as you seek to pour God's love into people, even the ones who are not currently following the truth found in Scripture?