

**[1 Timothy]
Lesson 5**

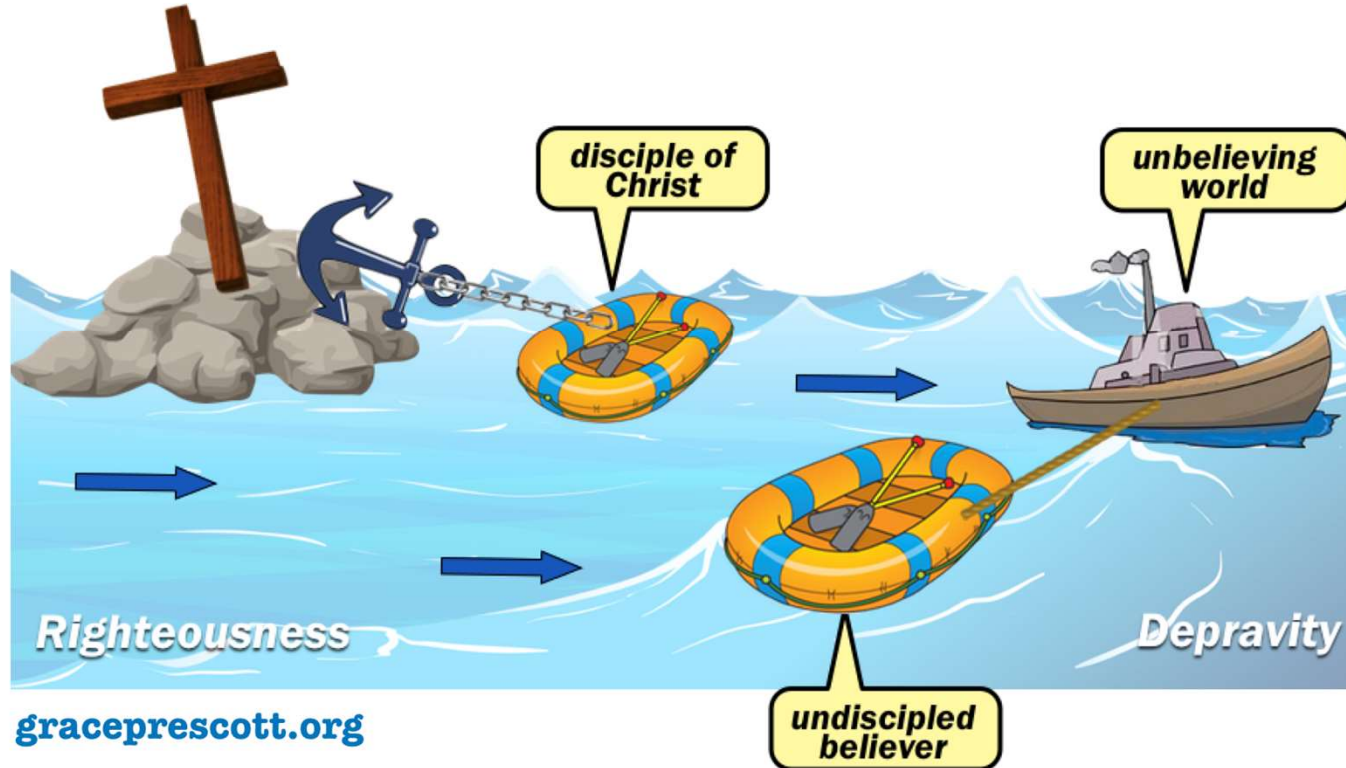
**False Teacher
Vs.
Good Servant of Jesus
(1 Timothy 4)**



1. Apostasy

(departing from the Truth)

Apostasy of the Church in the Last Days



(1 Tim 4:1) *Now the Spirit [God] speaketh expressly (clear), that in the latter times (end time [now]) some shall depart (apostasy) from the faith, giving heed (follow) to seducing (lying) spirits, and doctrines (teaching) of devils;*

false teachers / false Christians

Bible / Gospel

Satan's lies and liars

(1 Tim 4:2) [**false teachers**] *Speaking lies in hypocrisy;
having their conscience (know right and wrong) seared
(burn) with a hot iron;*



Paul before warned about these false teachers
[Acts 20:38-40; 1 Tim. 1:3-4]

Satan's Lies

(1 Tim 4:3) Forbidding (not allow) to **marry**, and commanding to abstain (not allow eat) from **meats**,

[Gen. 2:22-25]

God made marriage good

[Mark 7:18-23; John 6:11]

We copy Jesus' example praying, thanking God before we eat.

Vs. God's Truth

which **God** hath **created** to be **received** with **thanksgiving** of them which believe and know the truth [Christians]. (4) For every **creature** of **God** is **good**, and **nothing** to be refused (not allow), if it be **received** with **thanksgiving**: (5) For it is sanctified (**holy**) by the word of God (command allow) and **prayer**.

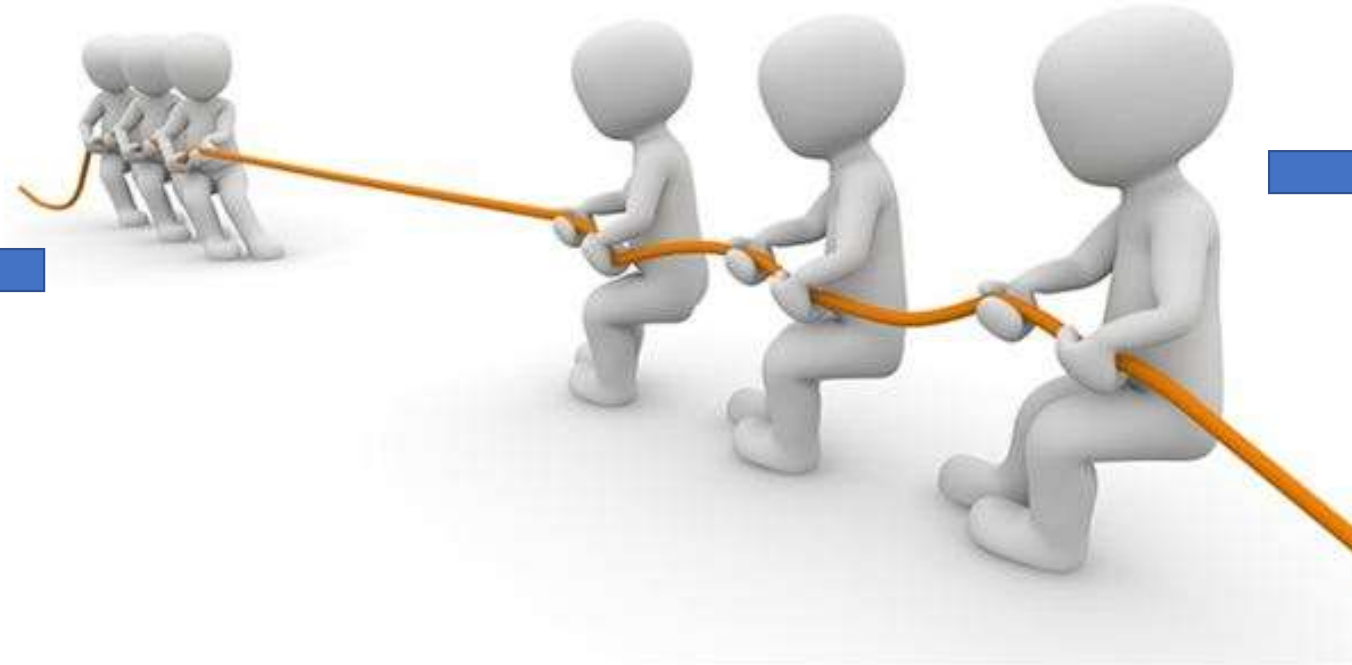
2. Resist (**fight**) Apostasy

Satan's world

God's church

←
apostasy

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faithful

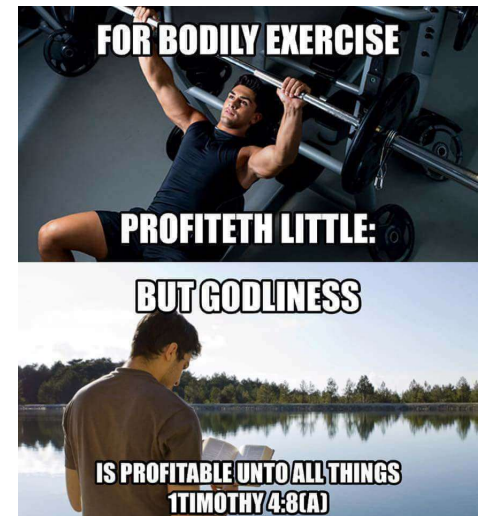


(1 Tim 4:6) *If thou (Timothy) put the brethren (church) in remembrance [teach] of these things (Bible), thou shalt be a good minister (servant) of Jesus Christ, nourished up (fed / made strong) in the words of faith (Bible) and of good doctrine (teaching), whereunto thou hast attained (finished learned / trained).*

As we teach the Bible to others,
we ourselves are made strong in the Faith.

(1 Tim 4:7) *But refuse (not allow) profane (worldly) and old wives' fables (false stories told to children), and exercise (train / learn) thyself rather unto godliness (God's way / knowing Bible). (8) For bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise [reward] of the life that now is, and of that which is to come [eternal reward].*

We should focus on **God's treasures** more than we focus on the **world's treasures**.



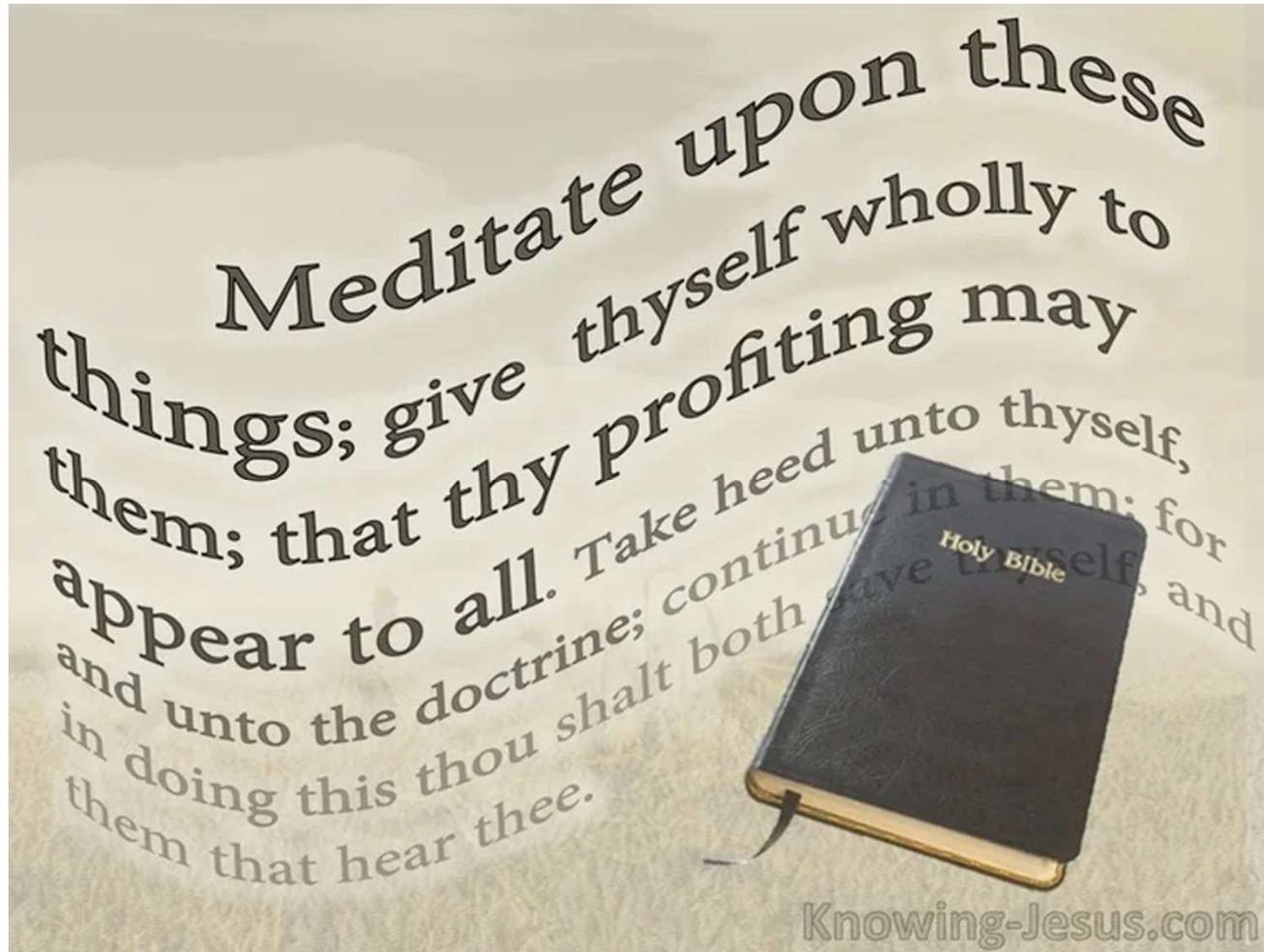
Godliness is Profitable

- Studying God's Word
 - Prayer
- Meeting together to worship the Lord
 - Pleasing the Lord in all things
- Lovingly caring for believers and unbelievers
 - Teaching one another the Scriptures
 - Preaching the Gospel to the unsaved.

(1 Tim 4:9) This [godliness is profitable] is a faithful (true) saying and worthy (good) of all acceptance (fully receive and trust). (10) For therefore we both labour (hard work) and suffer reproach (people speak against), because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe. (11) These things command and teach.

God is the only Saviour, but only Christians will profit from the promises of God.

3. Good Servant of Jesus



(1 Tim 4:12) *Let no man despise (mock) thy [Timothy's] youth (young age); but be thou (Timothy) an example (good copy) of the believers (Christians), in word (talk), in conversation (behaviour), in charity (love), in spirit (smile face), in faith (trusting God), in purity (holy).*



(1 Tim 4:13) *Till* (until) *I* (Paul) *come*, [Timothy] give attendance (focus) to reading [read Bible in church], to exhortation [command obey Bible in church], to doctrine [teach Bible in church].



(1 Tim 4:14) Neglect (lazy) not the gift (spiritual gift) that is in thee (Timothy), which was given thee by prophecy (God's Word), with the laying on of the hands [support for pastor work] of the presbytery (elders/pastors).

(15) Meditate (think) upon these things (Bible); give thyself wholly to them (Bible); that thy profiting may appear to all (people see your good testimony).

(16) Take heed (careful) unto thyself (Timothy), and unto the doctrine (Bible teaching); continue in them (Bible): for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee.