

Series "Entrusted With The Truth"
"Apostasy"
1 Timothy 4:1-5
Study-10

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1 Timothy 4:1 – "fall away from the faith," – This phrase "fall away" is the word apostasy, and it is defined as "a willful turning away from, to desert, depart, and withdraw one's self from the truth of the Christian faith."

1 Timothy 1:3-4

1 Timothy 1:19-20

1. Verse 1 – Prediction Of Apostasy

2. Verses 1-2 – Characteristics Of Apostates

3. Verses 3-5 – Teaching Of The Apostates

1. Verse 1 – Prediction Of Apostasy:

1 Tim 4:1

1 Timothy 3:16

Left off with the church being guardians of the truth! Now there is the abandoning of the truth! 1 Tim 4:1

1 Tim 4 – The Church and Its Minister:

Acts 20:28-30

But the Spirit explicitly says "Holy Spirit's precise prediction, clearly says"

2 Peter 1:21

2 Timothy 3:16

Matthew 24:10

Mark 13:22

1 John 2:18

2 Timothy 3:1

“fall away” – This is the word apostasy, and it is defined as “a willful turning away from the truth of the Christian faith.”; “to desert, depart, withdraw self”; Not giving up one’s profession of faith, but forsaking, turning away!

2 Thessalonians 2:3

1 Tim 3:16

2 Corinthians 13:5

Hebrews 3:12

1 John 2:19

2. Verses 1-2 – Characteristics Of Apostates:

1 Tim 4:1

1. Demonic Origin Of The Deception: “paying attention to deceitful spirits”
– “to give assent to, to devote oneself to, to cling to something”

Deceitful – “to wander, seducing, leading astray, away from the orbit of truth”

Ephesians 6:12

John 8:44

2 Corinthians 2:11

1 John 4:1-2

1 John 4:6

2 Corinthians 11:13-15

2 Corinthians 11:3

Demonic activity in Scripture – Time of Noah, The land of Canaan before Israel invaded. Both giants! During Jesus' ministry – demonic possession. The last will be when the Anti-Christ comes on the scene.

2. Demon Inspired Doctrines: "and doctrines of demons," – "Demon inspired doctrines or Teachings"

James 3:15

2 Peter 2:1-3

Matthew 16:21-23

Acts 5:3-4

3. Human Moral Error: 1 Tim 4:2

"by means of the hypocrisy" – (Hypocrisy is a deliberate pretense)

"of liars" – (A lie is a deliberate falsehood)

"seared" – means "cauterized"; "brand with a red-hot iron"

"conscience" – "the divinely given witness to the condition of the soul."

3. Verses 3-5 – Teaching Of The Apostates:

1 Tim 4:3

"An apostate is not just wrong doctrinally; he is wrong morally. Believing and behaving always go together."

Asceticism – is a denial of the things that God said are good. It teaches that abstaining from these things is spiritual. It is totally against the Gospel of grace. It is an attack on God the creator and God's work through Jesus Christ.

"men who forbid marriage" – Genesis 1:28

Genesis 2:18-25

1 Cor 7:25-35

“and advocate abstaining from foods,” – Genesis 9: 3

Colossians 2:21-23

Matthew 15:11

Fundamental Error – Rejection Of Divine Revelation: “which God has created”

Genesis 2:18

1 Tim 4:4

Genesis 1:31

1 Tim 4:5

Application:

1. We Are Encouraged In Scripture To Test Ourselves To See Whether We Are In The Faith: 2 Corinthians 13:5
2. Demonic Origin Of The Deception: Deceitful spirits
3. Demon Inspired Doctrines: Teachings of demons
4. Apostasy often masquerades as holy, righteous living within a caring community
5. Fundamental Error – Rejection Of Divine Revelation