

## STICK TO YOUR OUTLINE

### II Timothy 1:13-18

Intro:

- A. Paul and Timothy are appointed workers.
  - 1. Paul is an apostle, preacher, teacher.
  - 2. Timothy is an ordained preacher.
- B. Suffering will be a part of their work.
  - 1. "according to the power of God..." Vs 8
  - 2. "...he is able to keep..." Vs 12

#### I. Timothy Must Stick To The Outline. Vs 13

- A. "Hold fast the form of sound words,..."
  - 1. "Hold fast" = εχω = "to have and to hold" (implies continued holding and lasting possession).
  - 2. "Form" = ὑποτυπωσις = "sketch", "outline" An outline of an artist or a writer which forms the basis for total completion.
  - 3. "Sound" = ὑγιαίνω = "to be healthy".
  - 4. "Stay with the healthy teaching".
- B. "...which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus."
  - 1. "What you learned from me".
  - 2. "Living by the faith and love that is available to us in Christ Jesus."

#### II. One Must Guard The Outline Principles. Vs 14

- A. "That good thing which was committed unto thee..."
  - 1. "Committed" = παραθηκη = "deposit".
  - 2. "That precious entrusted deposit".
- B. "...keep by the Holy Ghost which dwelleth in us."
  - 1. "Keep" = φυλασσω = "to keep awake and thus to



guard closely".

2. "Dwelleth" = ΕΒΟΙΚΕΩ = "to inhabit".
3. "...by the aid of the Holy Spirit who makes his home in us".

### III. Those Who Make Sticking To One's Outline Difficult. Vs 15

- A. "This thou knowest, that all they which are in Asia be turned away from me;..."
  1. "Turned away from" = ΑΠΟΣΤΡΕΦΟΜΑΙ = "to desert", "to abandon".
  2. "You already know" - MON "That everyone in Asia has deserted me".
- B. Paul then names two people. He seems to say that these two were totally unexpected.
  1. The Asians had been friends and strong supporters
  2. Fear had motivated them to disengage themselves from any identification with the imprisoned Paul.
  3. Every Pastor who takes an unpopular stand, though it is thoroughly scriptural, will find that close friends will abandon the relationship. This too is motivated by fear.

### IV. Those Who Make Sticking To The Outline Possible.

- A. The character and actions of this man. Vs 16
  1. "Refreshed" = ΑΝΑΨΥΧΩ = "to cool again", "to draw breath again", "to revive by fresh air" This was done often.
  2. He was not embarrassed to go into Paul when Paul was chained in a dungeon.
- B. He was a man who meant to do his job. Vs 17
  1. "Sought me out" = ΖΗΤΕΩ = "to strive to find".
  2. "Diligently" = ΣΠΟΥΔΑΙΟΤΕΡΩΣ = "the more speedily", "with more than ordinary diligence".
  3. "He eagerly searched everywhere for me and did not stop until he found me".

- C. He ministered many things to Paul. Vs 18
1. "Ministered" = διακονεω = "to serve", "to wait upon", "to care for another's needs".
- D. Paul pronounced blessings upon him.
1. "The Lord give mercy unto the house of..." Vs 16
  2. "The Lord grant unto him that he may find mercy of the Lord in that day." Vs 18