

1. This morning we will continue the study of Second Timothy where Paul from prison writes to Timothy in Ephesus.
2. For a written and/or audio presentation of this lesson go to *westbankbiblechurch.com* and *click-on streaming audio of services*.
3. Before we continue, I want to give you opportunity to use 1Jo 1:9 as may or may not be necessary.
4. When the clock tolled 11:30 last week I was about to close the study of 2Ti 2:22-26 by providing how the RSV has translated our verses.

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2Ti 2:22 So shun youthful passions and aim at righteousness, faith, love, and peace, along with those who call upon with those who call upon the Lord from a pure heart.

2Ti 2:23 Have nothing to do with stupid, senseless controversies you know that they breed quarrels.

2Ti 2:24 And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but kindly to everyone, an apt teacher, forbearing,

2Ti 2:25 correcting his opponent with gentleness. God may perhaps grant that they will repent and come to know the truth,

2Ti 2:26 and they may escape from the snare of the devil, after being captured by him to do his will.

5. We are now ready to study a new chapter. Before we study chapter three I think it would be beneficial to review a key verb—**didasko**.

Doctrine of Didasko

1. The Greek verb **Didasko** originally meant to teach publicly. Teaching was done in a public assembly usually called the **Ekklesia** or church. A teacher is a **Didaskalos** and what is taught is generally referred to as the **Didache**.
2. **Didasko** or public teaching is one of the functions of the pastor-teacher and all other functions of the pastor-teacher are designed to support this role; it is the pastor-teacher's primary function to **Didasko** when it is convenient or inconvenient.

3. In the Church Age believers are urged to attend the local classroom where doctrine should be taught.

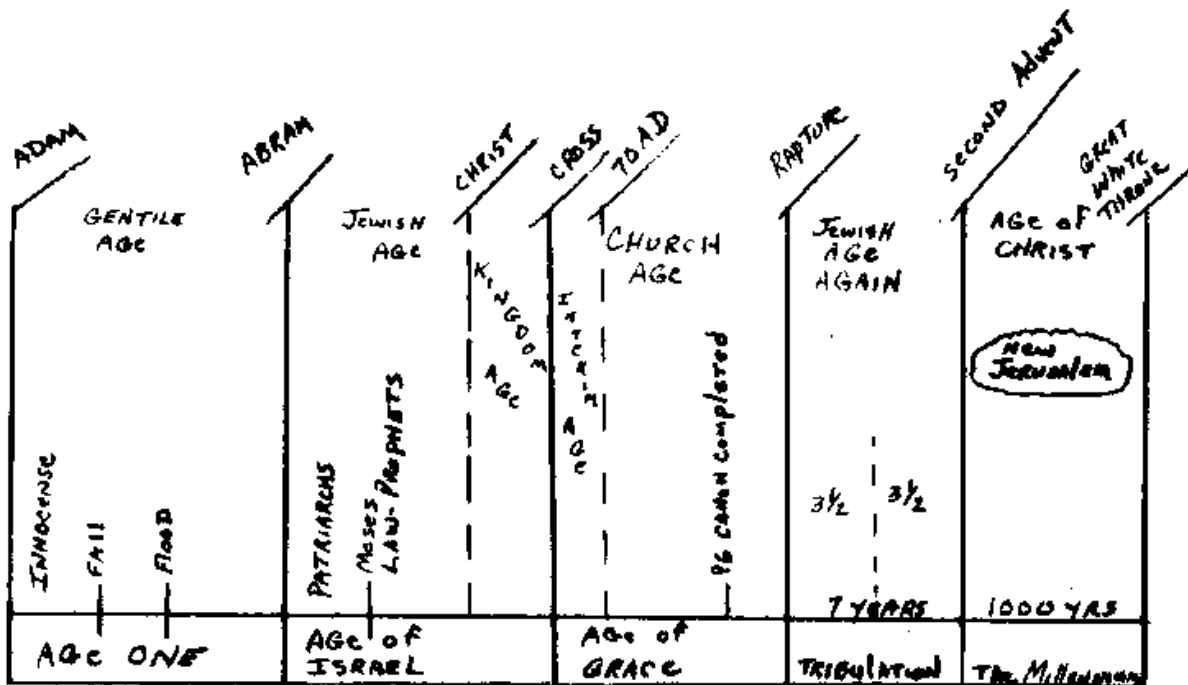
Heb 10:25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

4. There are two extant communication gifts in the Church Age. They are pastor-teacher and evangelist.

Eph 4:11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

4.1 The Book of Ephesians was written in approximately A.D. 62 during the early church age, which I like to call the interim age; there were many temporary or whip gifts extant, certainly to include the gifts of apostleship and prophet.

4.1.1 This explains the listing of these two interim age gifts in Eph 4:11.



5. In the Epistles to the Church only pastor-teachers are seen teaching the Word and only pastor-teachers are told to teach the Word.

5.1 Notice the examples in the Pastoral Epistles where teaching is listed and commanded for the pastor-teacher:

1Ti 3:2 A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behavior, given to hospitality, **apt to teach**;

1Ti 4:11 These things command and **teach**.

2Ti 2:24 And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, **apt to teach**, patient,

Tit 2:1 But **speak** thou the things which become sound doctrine:

Tit 2:15 These things **speak**, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee.

2Ti 4:2 **Preach** the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine.

6. **Didaskalos** is the noun form of **Didasko**. The word emphasizes the primary aspect of the pastor-teacher which is to provide doctrine to those who come.

1Ti 2:7 Whereunto I am ordained a preacher, and an apostle, (I speak the truth in Christ, and lie not;) a **teacher** of the Gentiles in faith and verity.

2Ti 1:11 Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a **teacher** of the Gentiles.

7. There is another word which is often used of the pastor-teacher to stress his role of making known the message from the King and that is **Kerux**.

7.1 This word stresses the evangelistic aspect of many messages given by the pastor-teacher. The word originally meant that town crier coming from a king with a message which he would publicly herald.

2Ti 1:11 And of this gospel I was appointed a **herald** and an apostle and a teacher.

8. All teaching however is a responsibility of the Holy Spirit.

1Co 2:13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

Joh 14:26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

Joh 16:13 Therefore when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

9. The role of the pastor-teacher is to provide a surfeit to feed those who elect to bring the Holy Spirit to Church.

Eph 4:11 And he gave some ... and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

Eph 4:12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

Eph 4:13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ:

Eph 4:14 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

10. Now let's see what we can learn from 2Ti 3:1-5.

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2Ti 3:1 This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.

2Ti 3:2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

2Ti 3:3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,

2Ti 3:4 Traitors, heady, high-minded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;

2Ti 3:5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

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2Ti 3:1 But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days.

2Ti 3:2 People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy,

2Ti 3:3 without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good,

2Ti 3:4 treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God --

2Ti 3:5 having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with them.

1. I think the best way to teach these verses is to review the *Doctrine of False Communicators*.

Doctrine of False Communicators

1. There were numerous false communicators actively resisting our Lord during the Kingdom Age. They were primarily the religious heirarchy consisting of the Scribes, Pharisees and Sadducees.

Mat 19:3 The Pharisees also came unto him, tempting him, and saying unto him, Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause?

Mat 19:4 And he answered and said unto them, "Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female,"

Mat 19:5 "And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh?"

Mat 19:6 "Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder."

Mat 19:7 They say unto him, Why did Moses then command to give a writing of divorcement, and to put her away?

Mat 19:8 He saith unto them, "Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered you to put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so."

Mat 16:1 The Pharisees also with the Sadducees came, and tempting desired him that he would shew them a sign from heaven.

Mat 16:2 He answered and said unto them, "When it is evening, ye say, It will be fair weather: for the sky is red."

Mat 16:3 "And in the morning, It will be foul weather to day: for the sky is red. O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not discern the signs of the times?"

Mat 16:4 "A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas." And he left them, and departed.

Mar 11:15 On reaching Jerusalem, Jesus entered the temple area and began driving out those who were buying and selling there. He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves,
Mar 11:16 and would not allow anyone to carry merchandise through the temple courts.

Mar 11:17 And as he taught them, he said, "Is it not written: "'My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations'? But you have made it 'a den of robbers.'"

Mar 11:18 The chief priests and the teachers of the law heard this and began looking for a way to kill him, for they feared him, because the whole crowd was amazed at his teaching.

Mat 15:1 Then came to Jesus scribes and Pharisees, which were of Jerusalem, saying,

Mat 15:2 Why do thy disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? for they wash not their hands when they eat bread.

Mat 15:3 But he answered and said unto them, "Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition?"

2. The Scriptures are replete with teachings about false communicators called: false prophets, wolves in sheep's clothing, Satan's ministers, wells without water, hireling prophets, profane and vain babblers.

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