

Questions for Consideration—With the Master Holding Fast to the Truth—Lesson 14—2 Timothy 3:1-5—Nineteen Descriptions of the Disobedient During the Dangerous Last Days

1. (a) As you read 2 Timothy 3:1-5, what is the first thing that comes into your mind? (b) Would you say these descriptions describe the day in which we live? (c) Do you think they described the day in which Timothy lived? (Prove your answer from the Bible)

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 3:1.

3. (a) Choose three of the nineteen characteristics Paul mentions in 2 Timothy 3:1-5 and find someone in the word of God who exhibited those. (b) What do you learn by their negative example?

4. (a) What are the opposite qualities of those three characteristics you choose from question 3? (b) Find three people in the Word of God who exhibited those good qualities and write down what you learn from their positive example.

5. (a) Compare Paul's list of sins in 2 Timothy 3:1-5 with those he mentions in Romans 1:21-32. Which ones are similar? (b) What does Paul say in Romans 1:32 and 2 Timothy 3:5 about these individuals? (c) Do you know someone who professes Christ and yet is living similar to what Paul says in these passages? (d) Will you love them enough to warn them?

6. (a) In what ways can we help children to obey and honor their parents? (b) In what ways can adults honor parents who are living? (c) How can we avoid being guilty of any of the characteristics Paul lists in 2 Timothy 3:1-5? (d) How should we be living in light of the last days according to Romans 13:11-14, Ephesians 5:16 and 1 Peter 4:7-11? (e) Are you living this way?

7. These verses should cause us all to pause and make sure we are not guilty of any of these sins. After considering the list prayerfully, write a prayer for yourself to share with your group.