

The Leadership Tests

Deut. 8:2

Remember how the Lord your God led you all the way in the desert these forty years, to humble you, and to test you, in order to know what was in your heart, whether or not you would keep His commands.

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- To equip His leaders with spiritual understanding.

2 Timothy 2:20

In a large house there are articles not only of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay; some are for special purposes, and some for common use.

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- Gal. 6:9 – “....not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest, if we do not give up.”

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- 1 Tim. 1:18 – “...in accordance with the prophecies previously made concerning you, that by them you fight the good fight, keeping faith and a good conscience.”

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- “But whatever things were gain to me, those things I have counted as loss for the sake of Christ. More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.”



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