



WEEK SIX

1 TIMOTHY 4:1-7

DAY 1

1. Begin your study time with prayer.
2. Read 1 Timothy 4:1-7. In verse one, what does the Spirit say will happen in later times?
3. What are people falling away from in verse one, and what are they paying attention to instead?
4. How does Paul describe those who instruct in false doctrine in verse two?
5. What are the effects on a person's flesh and nerves when severely burned by hot metal? How does this inform your understanding of the state of a false teacher's conscience?
6. If you are spiritually nourished on false doctrine, what does verse two suggest may happen eventually to your own conscience?
7. Write out this week's memory verse on a notecard or a piece of paper, and post it somewhere you will see it often (e.g., bathroom mirror, car, desk, kitchen sink, etc.).

Scripture Memory:

“You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, be on your guard so that you are not carried away by the error of unprincipled men and fall from your own steadfastness, but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ...”

~ 2 Peter 3:17-18

I'm praying about:

DAY 2

1. Begin your study time with prayer, and read 1 Timothy 4:1-7.
2. In verse two, Paul speaks of the hypocrisy of false teachers. Jesus discussed the hypocrisy of false teachers in his day in Matthew 23:27-28. How did He describe them?
3. What does Titus 1:16 say about false teachers?
4. According to 2 Peter 3:15-16, what do false teachers do with passages that are difficult to understand? In verses 17-18, what is the outcome for those who follow their teachings?
5. In Matthew 15:14, how does Jesus describe the Pharisees, and what warning does He give regarding the outcome for those who follow their teaching? Based on this, why is it important for believers to be discerning about whom they choose to listen to and follow in matters of faith and doctrine?
6. Write out this week's memory verse below:

DAY 3

1. Begin your study time with prayer, and read 1 Timothy 4:1-7.
 2. According to verse three, what specific false teachings were being promoted?
 3. What does the Bible say in Proverbs 18:22, and how does this conflict with the instruction given by the false teachers?
 4. What does Paul say about the issue of marriage in 1 Corinthians 7:25-28 & 32-38, and how does this differ from the teaching of the false teachers in Ephesus?
 5. What are the advantages or spiritual benefits of singleness in the verses above?
 6. Write out this week's memory verse below:
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DAY 4

1. Begin your study time with prayer, and read 1 Timothy 4:1-7.
2. The false teachers in Ephesus taught that certain foods were “unclean” and should be avoided. On what basis did Jesus declare all food “clean” in Mark 7:14-19?
3. What was Peter’s vision in Acts 10:9-16, and what did it mean?
4. What does Hebrews 13:9 say regarding to food?
5. In Romans 14:14–21, how should believers handle personal convictions regarding food and drink? What does Paul say about those who may have different convictions in Romans 14:2-4 & 1 Corinthians 10:23-31?
6. What does 1 Timothy 4:3-5 declare about what God created for us to eat?
7. Write out this week's memory verse below:

DAY 5

1. Begin your study time with prayer, and read 1 Timothy 4:1-7. In verse six, what two things should the believer be nourished on?
 2. To what two metaphors does Hebrews 5:12-14 compare Scripture? By what means does verse fourteen say you will be able to discern between good and evil? How practiced do you feel at doing so?
 3. What does 1 Thessalonians 5:21 say you should do?
 4. Are the teachings you follow grounded in sound Scripture, or might you be listening to false teachers? How can you guard your heart against error?
 5. Write out this week's memory verse below:
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