

II Timothy 2:14-26 "Push / Pull"

l.	Avoid needless and fruitless
	(II Timothy 2:14, 16-18, 23; Titus 1:9; Proverbs 9:7, 17:27, 23:9; Matthew 10:16)
II.	Invest in the Word of God.
	(II Timothy 2:15, 19; II Corinthians 4:2; Acts 20:27; Numbers 16:3)
III.	Flee youthful which
	(II Timothy 2:19b, 22a; Matthew 15:18-20; Galatians 5:25)
IV.	Pursue fruit which
	(II Timothy 2:22b, 24-26; Galatians 5:22-23)

Additional Notes:



- 1. What are the consequences of pursuing what we should avoid? Have you ever seen these consequences in action?
- 2. Il Timothy 2:14 says to avoid needless quarrels. What sorts of arguments should we avoid?
- 3. What does it mean to "do your best"?
- 4. Some do *not* rightly handle the Word of Truth. What do they offer instead? (II Timothy 4:3, II Corinthians 4:2).
- 5. How can you judge if the preacher we listen to is rightly handling the Word of Truth?
- 6. How can we grow in our ability to handle the Truth? How can we grow as approved workmen so that we one day hear God say, "Well done, good & faithful servant"? List one or two practical ways, then make a plan to practically pursue one item.
- 7. Hymenaeus & Philetus taught that the resurrection had already happened. How does Paul respond to similar teaching in II Thessalonians 2:1-4?
- 8. Paul says to flee youthful passions (vs 22) but Jesus tells us the source (Matthew 15:18-20). Are there any heart issues which the Holy Spirit is pointing out to you?
- 9. Compare II Timothy 2:22-25 with Galatians 5:22. What can we learn?
- 10. "I don't know about you, but the best me is not tired me. It is certainly not overwhelmed me.... I need living water to course through my parched soul." How can you be filled with the Holy Spirit today (hint: Luke 11:13, Ephesians 3:19, John 4:10-14)? Take some time to pray for a renewed filling of the Spirit.