

ITim 6:3-21

- 3 If anyone teaches false doctrines
and does not agree to the sound instruction of our Lord Jesus Christ
and to godly teaching,
- 4 he is conceited
and understands nothing.
He has an unhealthy interest in controversies and quarrels about words
↑ that result in envy,
strife,
malicious talk,
evil suspicions
- 5 and constant friction between men of corrupt mind,
who have been robbed of the truth
and who think that godliness is a means to financial gain.
- 6 But godliness with contentment is great gain.
- 7 For we brought nothing into the world,
and
we can take nothing out of it.
- 8 But if we have food and clothing,
we will be content with that.
- 9 who want to get rich
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People fall into temptation and a trap
and into many foolish and harmful desires
↑ that plunge men into ruin and destruction.
- 10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil.
Some people,
↑ eager for money,
have wandered from the faith
and pierced themselves with many griefs.
- 11 But you,
↑ man of God,
flee from all this,
and
pursue righteousness,
godliness,
faith,
love,
endurance and gentleness.
- 12 Fight the good fight of the faith.

Take hold of the eternal life
to which you were called
↑ when you made your good confession
↑ in the presence of many witnesses.

13 In the sight of God,
↑ who gives life to everything,
and of Christ Jesus, who while testifying before Pontius Pilate
↑ **made** the good confession,

I **charge** you
14 to keep this command
↑ without spot or blame
↑ until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ,
15 ↑ which God will bring about in his own time—

God,
↑ the blessed and only Ruler,
the King of kings and Lord of lords,
16 who alone is immortal
and who lives in unapproachable light,
whom no one has seen or can see.

To him **be** honor and might forever. Amen.

17 **Command** those
↑ who are rich in this present world
not to be arrogant
nor to put their hope in wealth,
↑ which is so uncertain,
but to put their hope in God,
↑ who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.

18 **Command** them
↑ to do good,
to be rich in good deeds,
and to be generous **and** willing to share.

19 In this way they will **lay** up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age,
so that they may **take** hold of the life
↑ that is truly life.

20 Timothy, **guard** what has been entrusted to your care.

Turn away from godless chatter
and the opposing ideas of what is falsely called knowledge,
21 which some **have professed**
and in so doing **have wandered** from the faith.

Grace **be** with you.