

Questions on 1 Timothy chapter 4

1. To whom did the Spirit speak expressly or distinctly and to whom was the message transmitted? Verse 1.

2. What was “the faith”? Was the faith so organized and defined that it could be known if someone fell away or departed from it? Verse 1.

3. Are these teachers who tell lies being influenced by supernatural evil powers? What is hypocrisy? Why doesn't their conscience stop them from telling these lies? Verse 2.

4. Evidently the Gnostics taught that God did not create matter because matter is evil. What two forms of matter did they teach people to abstain from because of this? Verse 3.

5. Who receives meats and marriage with the deepest gratitude? Verse 3.

6. What is re-stated here that God said of the things he had created? Verse 4

7. What can we say about those who refuse or reject what God has created? What should accompany our reception of God's gifts? Verse 4.

8. When and where were meats as well as herbs sanctified or set apart for our use? How does prayer set apart or sanctify the food we eat? Verse 5. (See Genesis 9:3-4)

9. What does it mean "to put the brethren in remembrance of these things"? Verse 6.

10. When could Timothy know he was a good minister? What was to be his benefit in carrying out these instructions? Verse 6.

11. Did the "old wives' fables" really come from old wives? What was to be done with profane and old wives' fables? Verse 7.

12. Rather than trying to track down the details of these fables, what does Paul teach Timothy to do? Verse 7.

13. What is the little profit of bodily exercise? Verse 8.

14. What is another word for godliness and for what is it profitable? Verse 8.

15. Just what is the “faithful saying”? Verse 9.

16. Why did Paul and his companions “labor and suffer reproach”? Verse 10.

17. In what sense can we say that God is the Savior of all men? Verse 10.

18. In contrast to “putting the brethren in remembrance,” what is Timothy to do with the previous truths? To what truths does Paul refer? Verse 11.

19. How was Timothy to keep men from despising or looking down on his youth? Verse 12.

20. What was Timothy to do until Paul arrived? Verse 13.

21. What is the presbytery and what gift could they impart? Verse 14.

22. What is meant by “which was given thee by prophecy”? Verse 14.

23. What did Paul tell Timothy to do to make his profiting evident to all? Verse 15.

24. What is the advantage in continuing to teach and live for Christ? Verse 16.