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- A. Characteristics of the Last Days (3:1-4)
  - 1. Concerning times (3:1)
    - 1 Thessalonians 5:4
  - 2. Corruption of character (3:2)
    - a. Their choice

**Romans 1:28** 

b. Their content

Romans 1:29-30

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- A. Characteristics of the Last Days (3:1-4) continued
  - 3. Cruelty in relationships (3:3)
    - a. The conduct

**Romans 1:31** 

**b.** The conclusion

**Romans 1:32** 

- 4. Condemnation of convictions (3:4)
  - a. Changed respect for God Romans 1:25
  - b. Changed relationship with God James 4:4

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- **B.** Counterfeit Religion and Deception (3:5-7)
  - 1. Contrived godliness (3:5)
    Matthew 23:27-28
  - 2. Condemnable exploitation (3:6)
    - 1 Peter 5:8
  - 3. Continuous pursuit of false knowledge (3:7)
    - 2 Timothy 4:3

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- C. Consequences Of Rejection (3:8-9)
  - 1. Corruption and reprobation (3:8) Titus 1;16
  - 2. Certain defeat of evil (3:9) Revelation 20:10
  - 3. Christ's ultimate victory (3:9)
    1 Corinthians 15:24-25

### Continue In The Charge 2 Timothy 3:10-17

### We Need To Be Continually Reminded Of Our Needed Commitment To God

- A. Consistency in conduct (3:10)
- 2 Timothy 3:10
- But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience,
  - 1. Steadfast in doctrine
- **Titus 2:1**
- But speak thou the things which become sound doctrine:
  - 2. Steadfast in example
- Philippians 3:17
- Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample.

- **B.** Courage in conflict (3:11)
- 2 Timothy 3:11

Persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions I endured: but out of them all the Lord delivered me.

- **B.** Courage in conflict (3:11)
  - 1. Confrontation with persecution
- Acts 14:19-20
- 19 And there came thither certain Jews from Antioch and Iconium, who persuaded the people, and having stoned Paul, drew him out of the city, supposing he had been dead.
- 20 Howbeit, as the disciples stood round about him, he rose up, and came into the city: and the next day he departed with Barnabas to Derbe.

- B. Courage in conflict (3:11) continued
  - 2. Confidence in deliverance

Psalm 34:19

Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.

- C. Commitment in Christ (3:12)
- 2 Timothy 3:12
- Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

- C. Commitment in Christ (3:12)
  - 1. Certainty of persecution

John 15:20

Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also.

2. Confidence in eternal reward

**Romans 8:18** 

For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

- A. Deception in the world (3:13)
- 2 Timothy 3:13
- But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.

- A. Deception in the World (3:13)
  - 1. The spread of evil
- **Matthew 24:24**
- For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.
  - 2. The danger of deception
- **James 1:22**
- But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

- **B.** Doctrine in the Word (3:14)
- 2 Timothy 3:14

But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them;

- **B.** Doctrine in the Word (3:14)
  - 1. Continuation in the truth
- Colossians 2:6-7
- 6 As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him:
- 7 Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

- B. Doctrine in the Word (3:14) continued
  - 2. The witness of the Word
- 2 Thessalonians 2:15

Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle.

- C. Divine instruction of Scripture (3:15)
- 2 Timothy 3:15

And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

- C. Divine instruction of Scripture (3:15)
  - 1. The power of the Scriptures
- **Romans 1:16**
- For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.
  - 2. The preciousness of God's Word
- Psalm 119:11
- Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

- A. Source of Scripture (3:16)
- 2 Timothy 3:16

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

- A. Source of Scripture (3:16)
  - 1. Inspired by God
- **Peter 1:21**

For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

2. Invariable in God

**Isaiah 40:8** 

The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.

- **B.** Sanction of Scripture (3:16b)
  - 1. Profitable for conviction
- **Titus 1:9**
- Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers.
  - 2. Profitable for correction
- Hebrews 12:6
- For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.

- C. Sufficiency of Scripture (3:17)
- 2 Timothy 3:17

That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

- C. Sufficiency of Scripture (3:17)
  - 1. Equipped for righteous living
- 2 Peter 1:3
- According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue.
  - 2. Engaged in righteous living
- Ephesians 4:13
- Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

### **Committed To God?**