

Series Title:

“Passing the Torch of Truth”
(An Exposition of the Book of II Timothy)

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Sermon Title:

“Beware Of Foxes In The Fold!”
(Part 4)

Sermon Text:

II Timothy 2:14-19

Introduction:

- In his effort to stress the certain reality of God’s sovereign control, Paul assures Timothy of two unchanging and unchangeable facts:

I. God’s _____ Is _____ (2:19a)

- What is the significance of the word translated “*nevertheless*”?
- What exactly is “*the firm foundation of God*”?
- ***II Corinthians 5:1; 6:16; Matthew 16:18; Philippians 1:6; Romans 8:35-39; John 6:39***

“False teachers will ruin some, they will shame some, they will corrupt some, they will overturn the faith of some, but not the redeemed of God!”

- The word translated “*firm*” means “_____ and _____.”
- What is the significance of the word translated “*stands*”?

II. Our _____ Is _____ (2:19b)

- ***What was the purpose of a seal?***
- In the context of II Timothy, chapter 2, this “*seal*” assures believers of our divine _____, _____, _____, and _____.
- ***This seal has two statements on it that reflect two important aspects of our salvation:***
 - *The first emphasizes the objective fact of God’s superintending _____ of His _____; the second stresses the need for _____.*
 - *The first is dated in _____; the second regulates the believer’s _____.*
 - *The first assures the _____ of the Church; the second requires its _____.*
 - *The first is a truth to be _____; the second is a command to be _____.*
- ***Numbers 16:5, 26***

A. Our _____ (v. 19 – “The Lord knows those who are His”)

- The word translated “**knows**” speaks of an _____, _____ relationship.

God has known _____ as His _____ from all eternity!

- **Ephesians 1:4; James 1:18; John 10:14, 27-29**

“Believers may not always know who in the church body are genuine born-again believers – but God knows!”

B. Our _____ (v. 19 – “Everyone who names the name of the Lord is to abstain from wickedness”)

- Not only are God’s people chosen by God for salvation, but they’re called to a life of _____!
- What is the meaning of the phrase “**names the name of the Lord**”?
- **Ephesians 1:4**
- **Everyone who confesses the name of the Lord will evidence _____.**

_____ believed _____!

- The word translated “**abstain**” literally means “to stand _____, to _____, _____ from or _____ oneself from.”

“If you lack any desire to depart from iniquity, then you must seriously examine the authenticity and validity of your salvation!”

Conclusion:

“If your life is not _____, then is it really _____?”

Remember, it is your responsibility to make the divine principles and truths contained in this message real by consistent application of them in your own life.