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**WARNING: 5 DISASTERS CONCERNING FAITH IN (1 TIMOTHY)**

(2 Tim. 4:1-5)

**INTRODUCTION**

(2 Timothy 4:7) "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith"  
(1 Peter 1:9) "receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls"

**CONSIDER PAUL'S 5 WARNINGS TO TIMOTHY** - don't let this happen to you!

**1. (1 Tim. 1:18-19) " ... concerning the faith have suffered shipwreck"**

(v20) Paul mentions two by name: "Hymenaeus and Alexander"  
Don't "ship-wreck" your faith by taking yourself "out of service."  
(Jeremiah 8:4-5; Hosea 11:7) "bent on backsliding"

**2. (1 Tim. 4:1-3) " ... some shall depart from the faith ... "**

Paul warned the elders of this possibility: (Acts 20:29-30)  
Jesus warned His disciples: (Matthew 7:15) "Beware of false prophets ... "  
So, be spiritually prepared: (2 Tim. 2:15; 1 Thess. 5:21; Acts 17:11)

**3. (1 Tim. 5:7-8) " ... he has denied the faith, and is worse than an unbeliever"**

Provide spiritually for your family: (Deut. 6:4-9; Eph. 6:4)  
Provide physically for your family: (text)

**4. (1 Tim. 6:6-19) (v10) "some have strayed from the faith in their greediness"**

Other translations say: "erred" "wandered away" "led astray from the faith"  
The cause: (v10) "For the love of money is the root of all evil ... "  
So, (v17-19) "Command those who are rich ... not to trust in uncertain riches ...  
enjoy ... be rich in good works ... lay hold on eternal life."  
Our treasure comes with a warning: (Luke 12:15, v21)

**5. (1 Tim. 6:20-21) "by professing it some have strayed concerning the faith"**

Some people grasp at unproven theories.  
People turn to "babblings" and "what is falsely called knowledge"

Clairvoyants, palmists, spiritualists, astrological signs, witchcraft, etc.  
(Ex. 22:18; Lev. 19:31, 20:6, v27; Isaiah 47:9-11; Deut. 18:9-14)

**CLOSE** - (John 6:66-69, 14:6, 20:30-31)