

Life In Community Series
A Scripturally Oriented Community
2 Timothy 2:14-19

- I. Being Content with the Best (14)
 - A. Remind them...
 - 1. The Ephesians were a biblically literate (for the most part) audience
 - 2. They understood theological truth well
 - B. They did not need novelty
 - 1. “Wrangling about words”
 - 2. This is useless and destructive
 - C. They needed a steady diet of what had always been best for them: the gospel
- II. How Does This Happen (15)
 - A. Primarily through an approved workman
 - 1. One who is unashamed (in word and deed)
 - 2. One who handles God’s word properly (which greatly reduces novelty)
 - B. “To cut it straight”
- III. The Uncertainty of Novelty and the Surety of God’s Word (16-19)
 - A. Avoid vain speech
 - 1. Leads to ungodliness
 - 2. It is like an uncontrollable cancer
 - B. An example
 - 1. Hymenaeus and Philetus (cf. 1 Timothy 1:20)
 - 2. Claiming the resurrection had already taken place (and by extension – people had missed it)
 - C. God’s foundation is sure

- 1. His sovereign work and knowledge unto salvation found in Jesus Christ
- 2. The calling upon those who claim His name