

Ashland Church of Christ 2007
Spreading the Good News

“GO THEREFORE AND MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS...” (MATTHEW 28:10)

Do I Need to Study Some More — Knowledge

A Servant of the Lord

Text: 2Timothy 2:22-26

Key Text: 2Timothy 2:24, “*And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient.*”

I. Servants serve the Savior.

A. The servant is ‘of the Lord.’

B. He follows the example of the Lord:

1. Philippians 2:5.

2. John 13:15.

3. 1Peter 2:21.

C. Therefore, we need to know how the Lord lived on earth.

D. Above all, we are in the business of pleasing the Savior.

E. However, the Savior is not the only one we serve.

II. Servants serve sinners.

A. This process begins when the servant stops sinning (2Timothy 2:21-22).

B. Two types of sinners:

1. The alien sinner.
2. The fallen sinner.

C. The servant serves the sinner by teaching him (2Timothy 2:1-2).

D. Error must be pointed out and dealt with.

E. Error does not need to be dealt with in a hateful what which is why...

III. Servants serve in serenity.

A. “Avoid foolish and ignorant disputes, knowing that they generate strife” (2Timothy 2:21).

B. “...Must not quarrel.”

C. “..Be gentle to all.”

D. Humility.

E. Arrogance never accomplishes anything good.

IV. Servants serve sincerely.

A. Servants believe in the message they have, not the messenger.

B. Servants understand their place for the Master.

C. Servants realize the stakes of those untaught.

D. Servants ten pray for a productive end to the work (2Timothy 2:25-26).

E. Servants practice *agape* love.

V. Servants serve to save.

A. Who do they save? Sinners.

B. What are they saved from? Hell.

C. How do they save? The message.

D. Why to they save? Love.

E. Matthew 28:18-20.