1 TIMOTHY

"If Any Man Teach Otherwise" Chapter 6:3-21

Look for the answers to these questions:

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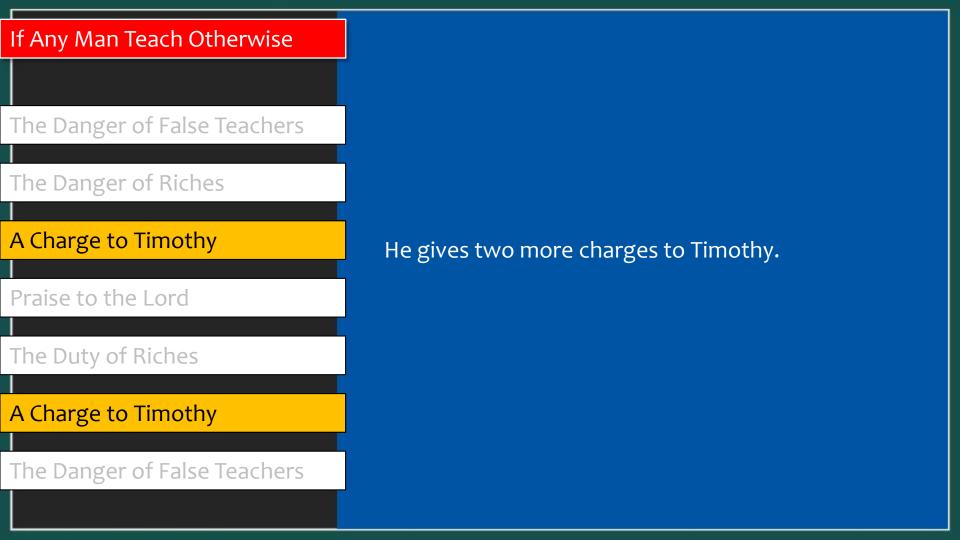
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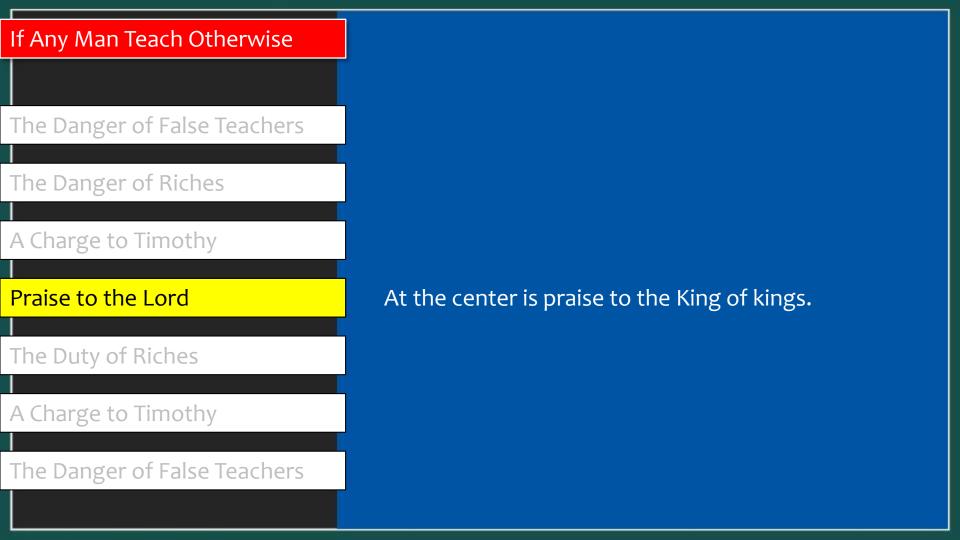
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Here, Paul reveals what bad doctrine can do to someone's life and church.

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A Charge to Timothy	
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Paul warned Timothy to walk away from anyone who does not teach "the doctrine that is according to godliness."

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This is what bad doctrine does to someone's mind.

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"They don't understand anything but have a sick obsession with debates and arguments."

Common English Bible

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This is what bad doctrine brings into a church:

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Envy = jealousy.

Strife = fights for superiority.

Railings = verbal abuse.

Surmisings = suspicions.

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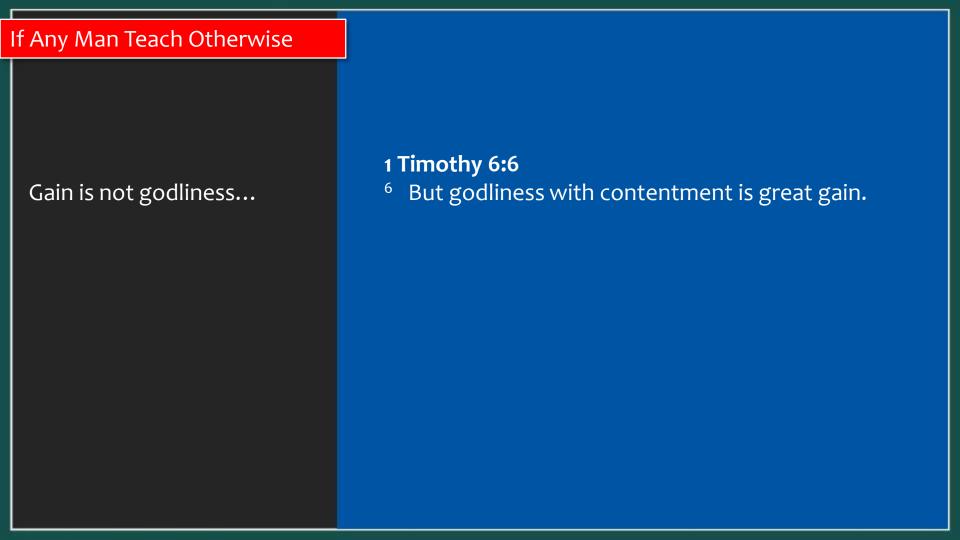
"There is constant bickering between people whose minds are ruined and who have been robbed of the truth."

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This is the lie of the so-called "prosperity gospel."

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How much do you need in order to be satisfied?

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Let this wonderful prayer govern your life:

Proverbs 30:7-9

- ⁷ Two things have I required of thee; deny me them not before I die:
- ⁸ Remove far from me vanity and lies: give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with food convenient for me:
- 9 Lest I be full, and deny thee, and say, Who is the LORD? or lest I be poor, and steal, and take the name of my God in vain.

Just the *desire* to be rich is enough to take men down a path of ruin.

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Love is devotion. Love is trust. The love of money is idolatry in its worst form.

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for either he will hate the one,
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Mammon is wealth pictured as a living thing, a false god who wants your service, trust, and devotion. In order to gain mammon, you have to serve mammon.

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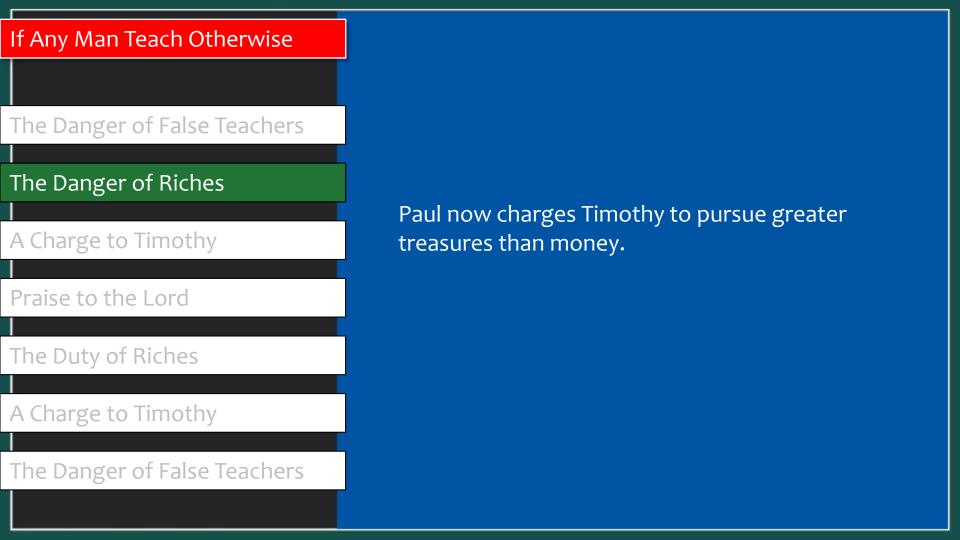
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The desire for wealth can pull a man from his faith, from his church, and even from his family. When he stands before Jesus, he will nothing to offer but his tears for a wasted life.

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In the parable of the good seed, one man was walking on the path of righteousness but he fell into the thorns along the way.

Luke 8:14
And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection.



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There is no greater honor than to be called a man or woman of God, and no greater duty than to work to live up to that honor.

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Ralph Erskine

(1685-1752)

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LAY HOLD on eternal life – take hold of it, accept what was given to you in Christ, and don't let go of it.

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Here, your "profession" is your declaration of belief.

Hebrews 10:23

Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)

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What did Jesus say when he was standing before Pilate?

John 18:37b

To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.

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Paul exhorts Timothy to remember the example of Christ and fight the fight of faith to the very end.

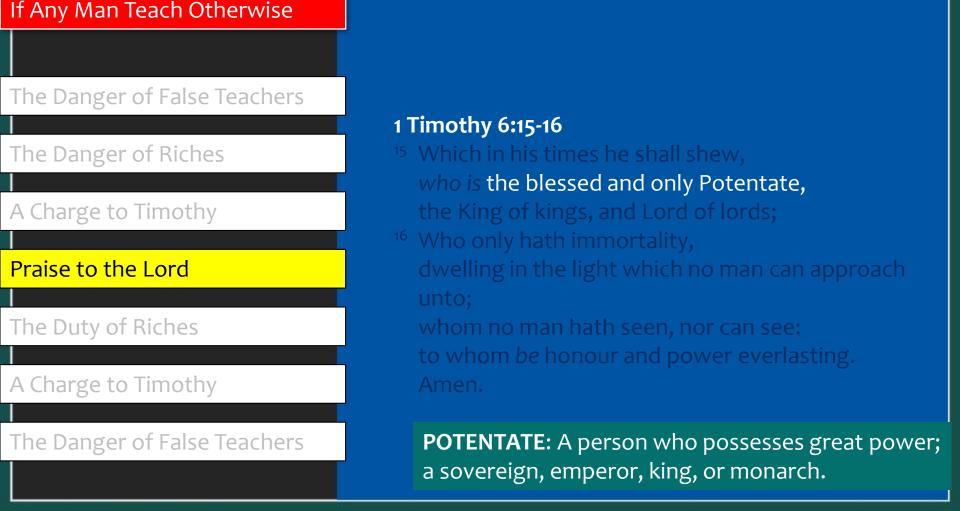
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- Which in his times he shall shew, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords;
- Who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see:
 - to whom *be* honour and power everlasting.

 Amen.



If Any Man Teach Otherwise The Danger of False Teachers The Danger of Riches Having shown the dangers of the love of money, Paul gives instruction to Christians who are rich in A Charge to Timothy this world. Praise to the Lord The Duty of Riches A Charge to Timothy The Danger of False Teachers

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 ready to distribute,
 willing to communicate;
- ¹⁹ Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.

The great danger of riches is that men will start to trust in their purses more than they trust in God.

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How can you trust in such an unfaithful friend?

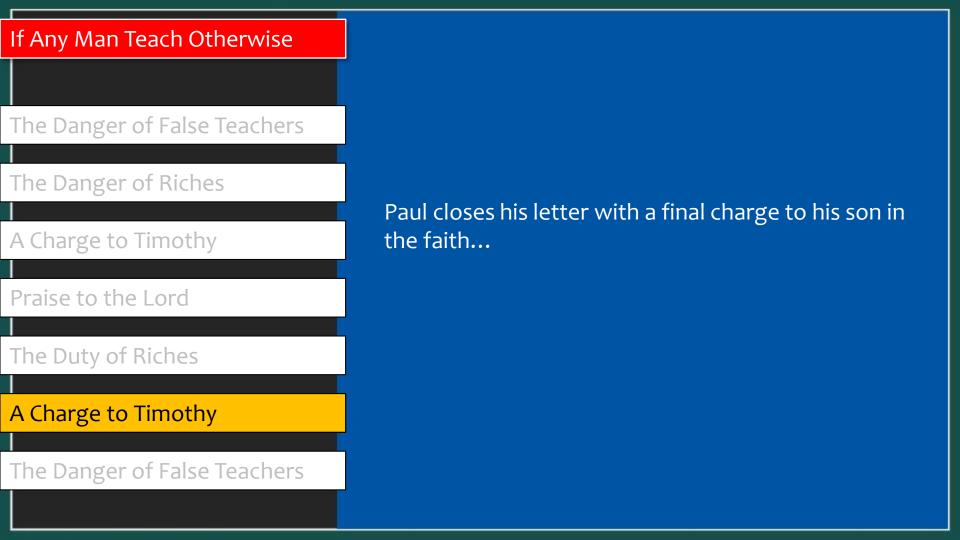
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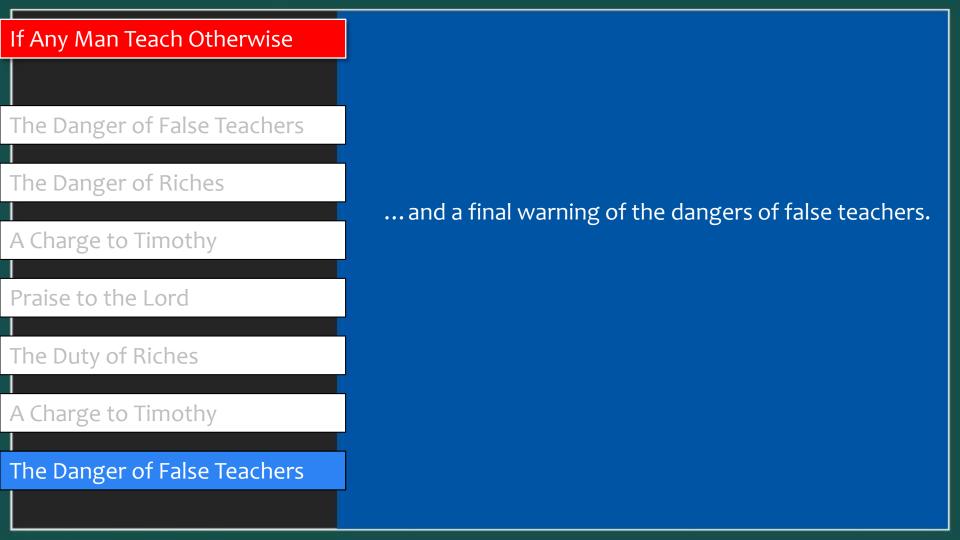
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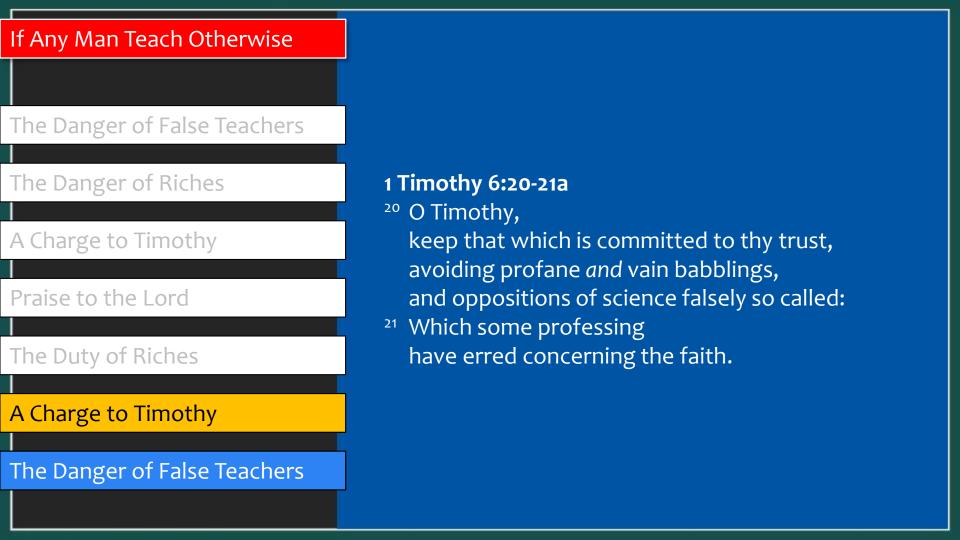
Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which is not? for riches certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven.

Christians who are rich in this world should be equally rich in good works, for by this they will earn many eternal rewards.

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godless and pointless discussions (CEB)

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No matter what scientists say, humans did not evolve from apes.

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²¹ ... Grace *be* with thee. Amen.

Questions to test your understanding of this lesson:

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Each question is worth 10 points. Do NOT share your answers with other students.







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