

Ban Babble  
2 Timothy 2:14-19

*With his mouth the godless man would destroy his neighbor.*

*Proverbs 11:9*

*Remind them of these things, and charge them before God.*

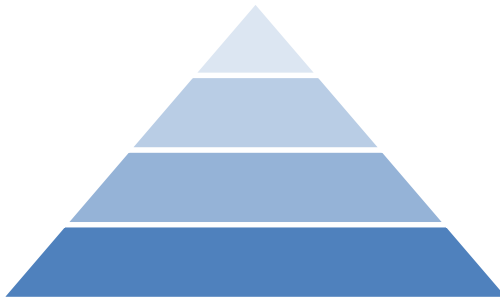
*2 Timothy 2:14a*

| Good Worker   | Bad Worker  |
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| <p style="text-align: right;">2:15</p> <p><b>action –</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• present yourself before God</li> <li>• rightly handling the word of truth</li> </ul>   | <p style="text-align: right;">2:14, 16-18</p> <p><b>action –</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• quarrels about words</li> <li>• speaks irreverent babble</li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>reaction –</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• no need to be ashamed</li> </ul>  | <p><b>reaction –</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• does no good</li> <li>• ruins the hearers</li> <li>• leads to ungodliness</li> <li>• spreads like gangrene</li> </ul> <p>example: Hymanaeus and Philetus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- swerved</li> <li>- upsetting the faith</li> </ul> |
| <p style="text-align: right;">2:19</p> <p><b>God's firm foundation stands.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seal #1 – The Lord knows those who are His - (2:19)</li> <li>• Seal #2 – Let everyone who names the name of the Lord</li> </ul> |   |

depart from iniquity

**How do we do this in a controversy?**

- Relational -
- Theological -



**Tests of Certainty**

- Exegetical \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ importance
- Historical agreement
- \_\_\_\_\_ emphasis
- \_\_\_\_\_ implications

“In every situation, the main thing should always be put before details. He warned of the danger that a multiplicity of subjects and problems could distract from the great issue of the gospel itself.”  
Iain Murray, Referring to D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones