

Building the Church Requires Care for the Deposit

Entrusted to Us

1 Timothy 6:20-21

Pass what really matters to the next generation!

1. Guard the deposit (v20a)

2. Avoid the babble (v20b)

3. What's at stake (v21)

FOR FURTHER THOUGHT:

1. What are some things that have been entrusted to you? Who was it that entrusted them to you? Does that make a difference?
2. What was entrusted to Timothy? Who entrusted it to him? Who has that deposit been entrusted to now? (See 2 Timothy 2:2) What are we to do with it?
3. What are some of the issues of our day that would take our focus off the gospel? How does the enemy of our souls use them? What is the end result? What does Paul tell us to do with them?
4. My favorite Paul Little quote: “When Christians aren’t involved in sharing their faith, they will end up picking fleas out of each other’s hair.” What happens in a church that isn’t involved in sharing the gospel? What does that imply for you as an individual?
5. Have you known someone who has “swerved from the faith”? Perhaps people whose grown kids aren’t walking with the Lord? What happened? What could have prevented it?
6. How does 1 Timothy 6:20-21 summarize the whole book? Take the themes of these last two verses and find where else they occur in the letter.
7. Pray for faithfulness in guarding the deposit and avoiding the babble.