

WITHDRAW YOURSELF

Fellowship is a privilege.

It can be taken away for doing wrong.

Here are 4 types to withdraw from.



1 Timothy 6:3-5

- 3 If anyone teaches otherwise and does not consent to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which accords with godliness, 4 he is proud, knowing nothing, but is obsessed with disputes and arguments over words, from which come envy, strife, reviling, evil suspicions, 5 useless wranglings of men of corrupt minds and destitute of the truth, who suppose that godliness is a means of gain. From such withdraw yourself.

1 – Changes the names (3a)

- 3a If anyone teaches otherwise and does not consent to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ
- We must agree to use wholesome words
 - Pure speech / not filthy, vulgar, profanity
 - Proper terminology – Bible things by Bible names

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- When people use new terminology = a departure from the teaching of NT
- Be cautious of those who change the words!

2 – Doctrine does not matter (3b)

- 3b and to the doctrine which accords with godliness
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- **Acts 2:42** And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.
- Many say that doctrine does not matter.
- Divorce, Music, Worship, Morals

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- He is proud, knowing nothing, but is obsessed with disputes and arguments over words, from which come envy, strife, reviling, evil suspicions, 5 useless wranglings of men of corrupt minds and destitute of the truth
- Knows nothing (but thinks he does)
- Proud

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- Asks questions to cause strife
- Challenges everything taught
- **Result:** Envy, Strife, Evil suspicions
- **Result:** Disputing with men, destitute of the truth

4 – Thinks gain is godliness (5b)

- Who suppose that godliness is a means of gain
- Thinks money buys: power, control, and authority
- BMW = salvation; Rolex = righteous

CONCLUSION

- What to do – Withdraw thyself
- This is not a “church” action
- Individual action – you decide
- This type will corrupt, pollute, destroy