

Repentance Leads To Truth

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2 Timothy 2:14-26

Second Timothy 2 is such a timely verse for today. We live in a world of opponents—in sports, in politics, in the workplace, and in the classroom. Opposition is part of life, but how we deal with our opponents is the focus of our passage today. There are two parts to our key verse. The first part is our job: gently instruct. The second part is God's job: leading them to a knowledge of repentance. It has become very common for believers to jump into the fray of public discussion—sometimes using very crass, judgmental language and opinions, all the while using the justification that they are “just defending their position.” The Spirit through Paul's words calls us to choose a road less and less travelled. The goal of our gentleness is that the Holy Spirit can do the work of repentance. Harsh words, threats, and judgment serve as obstacles while gentleness, humility, and extending grace serve as conduits to accomplishing God's kingdom work.

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