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Expect Difficult Times 1-5

- 2 Tim 3:1 But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come:
- Times of stress/ "exceedingly fierce" (Matt 8:28)



Decay of spiritual character

- 2-5 For men will be ...
- lovers of themselves rather than lovers of God lovers of money, lovers of pleasure
- boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents
- unthankful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving,
- slanderers, w/o self-control, brutal, despisers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty
- ⁵ having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away! (Timothy is in the last days)

Watch for Counterfeits 6-9

6-9 For of this sort are those who creep into households and make captives of gullible women loaded down with sins, led away by various lusts, ⁷ always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

⁸ Now as <u>Jannes and Jambres</u> (Exod 7:11,22) resisted Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, disapproved concerning the faith; ⁹ but they will progress no further, for their folly will be manifest to all, as theirs also was.

Follow the Right Examples 10-13

10-13 But YOU have <u>carefully followed my</u> doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance, ¹¹ persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra—what persecutions I endured. And out of *them* all the Lord delivered me.

¹² Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. ¹³ But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived.

Stay with the Bible 14-17

14-15 But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, ¹⁵ and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

— The scriptures will lead us to Christ 15

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16-17 All Scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, ¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

— The scriptures mature us throughout life 17



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