

## Sermon Outline Sermon Series: Passing the Baton of a Faithful Ministry Sermon: "Cut Flower Civilizations" Key Verse: II Timothy 2:14-19

Introduction: False Teachers: Warning: They exist! v14a <sup>14</sup> Remind them of these things, and charge them before God<sup>[a]</sup> not to quarrel about words, which does no good,

False Teachers in the church or those teaching contrary doctrine outside the church causes the following:

I. Wreckage among the hearers – v14b *but only ruins the hearers*. Ruin means catastrophe.

II. Workman of the Word is brought to shame – v15 <sup>15</sup> Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved,<sup>[b]</sup> a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.

III. Worthless talk leads to ungodliness–v16 <sup>16</sup> But avoid irreverent babble, for it will lead people into more and more ungodliness,

IV. Talk spreads like a wildfire – v17a and their talk will spread like gangrene.

V. Weakens the faith of some – vv17b-18 Among them are Hymenaeus and Philetus, <sup>18</sup> who have swerved from the truth, saying that the resurrection has already happened. They are upsetting the faith of some.

VI. Wickedness describes those who don't belong to the Lord – v19



<sup>19</sup> But God's firm foundation stands, bearing this seal: "The Lord knows those who are his," and, "Let everyone who names the name of the Lord depart from iniquity (abstain from wickedness – NASB)."

The Takeaway: Three false teachers in our culture: