Second Congregational
Church of Winsted
(Baptist & Congregational)
Biblical, Traditional, Protestant
Worship Service: 10:00 AM
March 13, 2022

"holding fast the faithful word which is in accordance with the teaching, so that he will be able both to exhort in sound doctrine and to refute those who contradict." – Titus 1:9 (NASB)

[REMINDER: If you are going to partake in the Lord’s Supper please pick up a self-contained Communion Cup from one of the tables in the back before the service begins.]

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude – “More Love to Thee, O Christ” – James Southbridge

Call to Worship – Psalm 34:11-17

Reader: Come, you children, listen to me;
People: I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
Reader: Who is the man who desires life
People: And loves length of days that he may see good?
Reader: Keep your tongue from evil
People: And your lips from speaking deceit.
Reader: Depart from evil and do good;
People: Seek peace and pursue it.
Reader: The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous
People: And His ears are open to their cry.
Reader: The face of the LORD is against evildoers,
People: To cut off the memory of them from the earth.
Reader: The righteous cry, and the LORD hears
People: And delivers them out of all their troubles.

*Hymn #439 (green hymnal) – “Sweet Hour of Prayer”

Prayer of Invocation and Confession

Gospel Absolution Text – Psalm 34:18-22

The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD delivers him out of them all. He keeps all his bones, not one of them is broken. Evil shall slay the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned. The LORD redeems the soul of His servants, and none of those who take refuge in Him will be condemned.

The Prelude is a musical piece that encourages us to quiet our soul to prepare for worship. (Ps 131). Therefore, please no talking.

The Call to Worship, a responsive reading from the Bible, which calls God’s people together to worship Him, centered on His Word. (Ps 99)

Hymns are sung to God because He is glorious and it is commanded. (Eph 5:19; Col 3:16).

The Prayer of Invocation & Confession is asking God to be with us and to accept our worship while we repent of our sins and look unto Him. (Ps 51; 61; James 5:16)

The Gospel Absolution Text is a proclamation that our sins have been forgiven in Christ. (John 20:23)
**Anthem** – "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed" – words by Isaac Watts; music by Stan Pethel

**Ancient Creedal Reading** – Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

**[Offering]**

[Because of Covid the collection plates are in the back. You may put your offering in the plates before or after the service. Thank you.]

**Presentation of the Offering**

*Doxology #515* (red hymnal)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication*

**Pastor Appreciation** – Sunday School

[The youngest children may go to children’s church, though we also appreciate having children stay for the whole service.]

**Scripture Reading** – Matthew 7:5-13

5 The Pharisees and the scribes asked Him, “Why do Your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat their bread with impure hands?”

6 And He said to them, “Rightly did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written: ‘This people honors Me with their lips, but their heart is far away from Me.

7 But in vain do they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the precepts of men.’

8 Neglecting the commandment of God, you hold to the tradition of men.”

9 He was also saying to them, “You are experts at setting aside the commandment of God in order to keep your tradition.

10 For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and your mother’; and, ‘He who speaks evil of father or mother, is to be put to death’;

11 but you say, ‘If a man says to his father or his mother, whatever I have that would help you is Corban (that is to say, given to God),’

12 you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or his mother;

13 thus invalidating the word of God by your tradition which you have handed down; and you do many things such as that.”
*Hymn (see attached insert) – Psalm 34:11-22

Prayers of the Church & Lord’s Prayer (sins)
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Choral Response

Reformation Creedal Reading – Cambridge Platform, 6.5.
(Manual on Congregational government from 1648 AD, in modern English.)
The offices of pastor and teacher appear to be distinct. (Eph 4:11)
The pastor’s special work is exhortation and to administer a word of wisdom.
The teacher’s special work is doctrine and to administer a word of knowledge. (2Tim 4:1-2; Titus 1:9)
Either of them may administer the sacraments, for these are the seals of the covenant of which both are called to be ministers. Likewise either may exercise church discipline, for this is an application of the Scriptures which both are called to preach and apply. (Eph 4:11-12; 1:22-23)

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon Text – James 3:1 (focus on first half.)
1 Let not many of you become teachers, my brethren, knowing that as such we will incur a stricter judgment.

Gloria Patri #513 (red hymnal)
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

Sermon – “Teaching”

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper
Invitation, Warning and Prayer
Scriptural Proclamation – Jeremiah 15:15-16

15 You who know, O Lord, remember me, take notice of me, and take vengeance for me on my persecutors. Do not, in view of Your patience, take me away; Know that for Your sake I endure reproach.

16 Your words were found and I ate them, and Your words became for me a joy and the delight of my heart; For I have been called by Your name, O Lord God of hosts.
Partaking of the Bread and then the Cup
Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn #16 (green hymnal) – “Tell Me the Old, Old Story”

*Benediction
*Choral Response
*Postlude – “Postlude No. 2” – Alexandre Boely

Children’s bulletins are available in the Main Street entry hall, located in the brochure holders attached to the wall on your right as you enter.

The two nursery rooms downstairs are clean, sanitized and available should you need a place to change a diaper, feed your baby, or simply need a quiet place to take your child during the service. There is an audio speaker in the room so the service can be heard.

About the Service:
- Preaching: The Rev. Douglas Aldrich
- Monthly Deacon: Melissa Lloyd
- Last Week: Attendance was 69.
- Offering was $5753.00. ($4000 is needed each week to meet our budgeted expenses.)

Church Office Hours: Tues.-Thurs. 8:30 AM-12:00 PM, 1:30-4:00 PM
Fri. - 8:30 AM-12:00 PM

Church Staff:
- Pastor: The Rev. Douglas Aldrich................................................................. Email: douglas_aldrich@sbcglobal.net
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- Office Hours: Tues. 6:00-9:00 PM Sun. 8:00-12:00PM

- Administrative Assistant: Carol Tomassetti.............................................. Email: info@sccwinsted.org
- Phone: 860-379-4766

Organist: Christopher King
Senior Choir Director: Alecia Evans
Sextons: Tom Doney and Cassie Riberdy

Covid Policy: The church is currently open with regard to Covid except for the following restrictions:
- All food will be either bagged/sealed or be given out by a dedicated server.
- Communal passing of the Lord’s Supper elements (bread & wine) in an unsealed fashion is not allowed at this time.

Snow Policy: We try not to cancel Sunday worship. If the weather is questionable the church will open at 10:00 AM for worship only. Our information is posted on CH 3 so check there for updates, and please be safe. Pastor Doug is much more liberal, however, about canceling his studies; when in doubt they are probably canceled.
Discipleship

• Sunday Worship at 10 AM (9:30 July/August) Also live-streamed on YouTube
• Sunday School for Children — 9:00-9:45 AM
  Lower level of the church. See Pastor Dan for information.
• Sunday Morning Women’s Study — 9:00-9:55 AM in the church parlor
  Led by Verna Aldrich
  *Eve in Exile: The Restoration of Femininity* by Rebecca Merkle
• Sunday Morning Men’s Discussion Group — 9:00-9:50 AM
  In Pastor Doug’s office
• Young Adult Discussion Group — 3:00-4:30 PM
  1st and 3rd Sundays at the church
• Tuesday Morning Study — 10:00-11:30 AM in the music room
  Reading the Psalms and J. I. Packer’s *Concise Theology*
• Tuesday Men’s Bible at 7:00 PM in the church parlor
  1st, 3rd, and 5th Tuesdays, led by Pastor Dan
  Video series “Easter” by J. D. Greear
• Greek Self Study Class — TBA
• Wednesday Night Study 7:00-8:30 PM in the music room *
  Book of Colossians
• Wednesday Diaper Bank 5:00-6:30 PM
  1st & 3rd Wednesdays

* In person and also on Zoom . (If you would like to join in please email Pastor Doug to be put on the Zoom link email list.)

Sermon Schedule (subject to change)

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Announcements

• **Lenten Offering**—During Lent (March 6-April 17) special “Lenten” offering envelopes are available in the sanctuary. All proceeds from these envelopes will be given to local charities. For those who wish to contribute (but are social distancing at home) you may send a check with the word “Lenten” in the memo field. During these difficult times it is especially important to help our neighbors. Thank you from the Missions Board.

• **Pastor Doug has just begun a new Wednesday Study for Lent.** (7:00-8:30 PM). We will be reading through the Book of Colossians. It is one of the shortest books of the Apostle Paul which focuses on the person and work of Christ. It’s a great text for new Christians or one well trained in theology.

• **Installation of Deacons** will take place during the worship service on March 20th.

• **Men’s Bible Study** will meet Tuesdays, March 15th and 29th at 7:00 PM. We are working through a special Lenten study incorporating the video series “Easter” by J. D. Greear. *Greear takes a deeper look at Jesus’s life, death, and resurrection, revealing the ways we should see ourselves in Jesus’s story.* We meet each month on the first, third, and fifth Tuesdays from 7:00-8:30 PM. Join us as we seek to grow as disciples of Christ.

• **Scholarship Opportunity**—Second Congregational offers a scholarship opportunity for individuals pursuing education beyond high school. Applications will be accepted from March 1st thru March 31st. Please see Carol in the office for an application. Completed applications should be returned to Carol.
- The Diaconate is pleased to announce that our food pantry is available for any parishioner or family member who needs it. Please see a Deacon after the service if you are interested in going through the pantry. Also, the green bins in the fellowship hall are the drop off point for donations of non-perishable food items and toiletries for our pantry. The Diaconate would like to thank all who donate.

- Lenten Hymn Sing & Potluck! – Sunday, March 27 directly after the worship service
  All are invited to attend the annual Hymn Sing/Potluck hosted by the Diaconate and the Music Committee. Come raise your voices in song and then join us in fellowship and a meal downstairs!

- Pastor Doug needs questions for his YouTube channel “Simply Reformed.” If you have any questions or suggestions please write them down and drop them in the box in the back of the sanctuary. The channel can be found at www.youtube.com/simplyreformed.

- Here are important dates for your calendar:
  - April 10  Palm Sunday
  - April 14  Maundy Thursday
  - April 17  Easter

- And on Sunday, May 1, our annual “Harmony for Hunger” benefit concert at 2:00 PM.

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Administrative Assistant – Part time 28-30 hours

The Second Congregational Church, a biblical and traditional Protestant church located in Winsted, CT, has an opening for an Administrative Assistant beginning in June, 2022. The Administrative Assistant is accountable to and serves under the direction of the Pastors and Church Moderator. Applicant must be in agreement with the church’s Statement of Faith, which can be viewed on the church website.

Qualifications include but are not limited to: proficiency in Word, Excel and Outlook. Knowledge of or willingness to learn website management a plus. Proof reading skills a must. Other responsibilities include record keeping, ordering office supplies, publishing church bulletin and monthly newsletter, and maintaining the church YouTube channel.

A complete job description can be seen on the church website at www.sccwinsted.org or by contacting the church office at info@sccwinsted.org.

Resumes may be emailed to info@sccwinsted.org with the subject line: Administrative Assistant.
Sermon Notes
James 3:1a
"Teacher & Teaching"
A Sermon Series on James
March 13, 2022

Introduction

1) What is the main way you judge whether or not a certain professional is doing their job well?
   a) It’s whether their doing the prime function of their profession.
      i) A good doctor knows medicine and how to treat people.
      ii) A good lawyer knows the law and how to apply it.
   b) There is one profession where this doesn’t (frequently) apply: Clergy/Ministers/Pastors.

2) The world has taught far too many Christians to think like the world instead of thinking correctly.
   a) We have been taught the lie of the “myth of neutrality.”
      i) That humans are self-autonomous and certainly not sinners.
      ii) That “teaching” is just giving “the facts” and allowing anyone to pick and choose what they can believe. And whatever they choose, as long as they’re “being true to themselves,” is good.
      iii) That the idea of “God” is certainly not necessary for education and thinking in the public square, and at worst it’s detrimental.
   b) We have been taught the lie that “good” Christians should focus on being nice, non-judgmental people (as defined by the world) and certainly not being “fundamentalists” who take God’s written word (the Bible) seriously.
   c) A few examples of the lies of Satan:
      i) That “doctrine” is bad but “teaching” is good.
         • The ungodly world’s “teaching” is just “giving information” while anything coming from Christianity is “dogma.”
         (Do you see how dogmatic and indoctrinating that is?!)
         • All teaching is doctrinal and dogma!
         • The question is whether it’s true (in accordance with God’s word) or false.
      ii) Or the statement “deeds not creeds” is in fact a credal statement.
      iii) Or when an atheist says “there is no objective truth” immediately ask, “is that an objectively true statement?”
      iv) Or “my truth is Jesus” or "My Christian values teach . . ." or “you need to invite Jesus into your heart and make Him Lord.”
         • The most effective lies are mostly true!
         • Note the hyper-individualistic, self-autonomous, dogmatic assumptions.
         • These statements imply there are other truths, values, authorities, outside of Christ.
         • Which, at best, is being childish and foolish, or at worst, a denial of Christ.
d) As opposed to saying “have you not read what the Lord has spoken in His word?”
   i) Then be willing to discuss it in a direct & charitable way. Rom 12:2; 2Cor 10:5; Pet 3:15
   ii) But that will make us sound like fundamentalists to the world.

3) Thus many churches, out of fear of the world, hire pastors/preachers/teachers who will sound and teach like the world, which is a very dangerous thing.
   a) As Paul the Apostle warned the young pastor Timothy.
   b) 2Tim 4:3-5 – “For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine (i.e. teaching); but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own desires, and will turn away their ears from the truth and will turn aside to myths. But you, be sober in all things, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist (i.e. the Gospel preacher/herald), fulfill your ministry.”
   c) This is why in almost every book of the Bible false teaching is warned against.¹
   d) As the Lord Jesus warned about the “traditions of men” in our first reading. Matt 7:5-13
   e) You know you have a “tradition of men” when the Bible is read out of context.

4) Remember what we have heard thus far going through the Book of James.
   a) Remember the purpose of the letter: “Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance.” – James 1:2-3
      i) This is teaching (doctrine), preaching (or heralding/proclaiming) and pastoring (shepherding).
      ii) Thus, James is being a good teacher.

5) Since teaching requires knowledge of Scripture, wisdom, charity and courage, James writes, “Let not many of you become teachers, my brethren, knowing that as such we will incur a stricter judgment (or “greater condemnation”).” – James 3:1
   a) Let’s ponder today the biblical concept of “teacher” in the first half of the verse.
   b) In two weeks we will look at the second half, that teachers should be afraid.
   c) But since there is much confusion, and bad teaching, about the role of teachers, especially pastors, in the church, let us turn to the Scriptures and ponder.

**Teacher**

1) When James speaks about a “teacher” he means those officially recognized by the church as those whose “special work is doctrine and to administer a word of knowledge.” (To quote the Congregational Cambridge Platform, 6.5.) 2Tim 4:1-2 Titus 1:9

2) You can see this in the other places in the New Testament (NT).
   a) Paul calls himself a “teacher” along with being a preacher (herald) and apostle. 1Tim 2:7; 2Tim 1:11
   b) The church in Antioch had “prophets and teachers”. Acts 13:1

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c) In 1Corinthians 12:28 Paul lists, in order of importance, various gifts:

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i) Not everyone is a teacher.  

ii) It's interesting that teaching is more important than miracles!

d) In Ephesians 4:11, Paul gives another list: "And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers,"

i) The grammar is unclear whether “pastor and teacher” is one office of pastor-teacher, or two, pastor or teacher.

ii) The purposes of all these offices are defined in Eph 4:12-13 – “for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ; until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ.”

3) So James’ use of “teacher” is in a narrower sense than general teaching that anyone does.

   a) Though not so technical and narrow as if refers to something like a college professor.
   b) This is about the church raising up and officially recognizing those who can teach.
   c) Thus pastor(s) are to teach and guide a local church.  

      i) “Pastors” are also called “teaching and preaching elders”, or “ministers” (Or to use the Latin phrase, “clergy”)

      ii) Tough teaching is central to what a pastor does, his job is more than just instructing in correct doctrine; however, doctrine underlies those other things.

Preacher, Prophet & Pastor

1) Closely related to a minister’s ability to teach is the calling to: Preach Prophesy & Pastor.

2) Preaching (Herakling)

   a) The word for preacher/preaching means “herald” (which is both a noun & a verb).

      i) In the ancient world a herald is a person who officially speaks for the king.

      ii) Think of that great KJV phrase, “thus saith the Lord!”

      iii) This is very critical in an age before modern communications.

   b) This is how God has ordained to speak since the time of Christ.

      i) As we heard in 2Timothy 4:3-5 in what a pastor is to do.

      ii) As we read in Romans 10:14 – “How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed? How will they believe in Him whom they have not heard? And how will they hear without a preacher (herald)?”

      iii) As the Lord Jesus commands in the end of Mark 16:15 – “And He said to them, ‘Go into all the world and preach (herald) the gospel to all creation.’”
c) What is the most important quality of a herald?
   i) To correctly and accurately speak for the Lord’s word!
   ii) This is why James 3:1 states, “Let not many of you become teachers, my brethren, knowing that as such we will incur a stricter judgment.”
   iii) And why Paul commands the pastor Timothy to, “Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth.” - 2Tim 2:15

d) That is why the church pays pastors, so they can focus on the Word.
   “The elders who rule well are to be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who work hard at preaching and teaching. For the Scripture says, ‘You shall not muzzle the ox while he is threshing,’ and ‘The laborer is worthy of his wages.’” – 1Tim 5:17-18

e) Preaching goes with teaching, because both must be rooted in Scripture, but preaching is more than just teaching.
   i) Teaching is about instruction, preaching is about proclaiming.
   ii) The focus on preaching is heralding Christ, His Gospel and His Kingdom with the call to repent, believe and follow.

f) Thus an “evangelist”, literally a “messenger of good news” was a special evangelist sent by the king proclaiming the good news of victory.

3) Prophesying
   a) This is not prophecy in the narrow sense of special revelation on the level with Scripture.
      ii) What else could we need than the Eternal Word (Jesus Christ) becoming incarnate and dying for our sins?

   b) This is prophesying in the broad sense of applying Scripture to a particular need or problem in a local church and/or by discerning the times.

   c) In the broadest sense prophecy can be done by any Christian.

   d) Preachers especially are called to do this.

   e) The early Puritans called (good) preaching “prophesying”.
      i) The title of William Perkins’ book (1558-1602), one of the famous early Puritan theologians, on preaching is instructive . . .
      ii) The Art of Prophesying or, A Treatise Concerning the Sacred and Only True Manner and Method of Preaching.

4) Pastoring (Shepherdling)
   a) The word “pastor,” in the NT, is the same word for “shepherd.” Eph 4:11; 1Pet 5:2
   b) While teaching is a “special work is doctrine and to administer a word of knowledge”, pastoring is a “special work is exhortation and to administer a word of wisdom.”
   c) Pastors are to feed, encourage, correct and protect the sheep (members) by the Word.
      i) This requires knowledge of the Word and the ability to teach.
      ii) To have wisdom on when to apply the law and the Gospel.
d) As Paul told the elders in Ephesus to “Be on guard for yourselves and for all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.” - Acts 20:28

   i) The pastor is to protect the flock from false worldly ideas.
   ii) And to protect the flock from false teaching within the church.

e) Look at the description of a pastor in Titus 1:7-9 – “For the overseer (a church elder, especially the teaching-preaching elder/pastor) must be above reproach as God’s steward (manager of a household, in this case a local church), not self-willed, not quick-tempered, not addicted to wine, not pugnacious, not fond of sordid gain, but hospitable, loving what is good, sensible, just, devout, self-controlled, holding fast the faithful word which is in accordance with the teaching, so that he will be able both to exhort in sound doctrine and to refute those who contradict.”

   i) Note the balance of holiness & charity.
   ii) Not “pugnacious” but also able to “refute those who contradict.”

**Conclusion**

1) The church is to highly value teachers and especially the pastoral office, since it is the ordinary means by which God speaks to His people. 

   Rom 10:14-15; 1Cor 16:18; 1Thes 5:12-13; 1Tim 5:17; Heb 13:7,17

2) Does that mean the church should blindly follow her leaders?!

   a) No, that is why those who want to teach must be tested and approved. 1Tim 3:10; 5:22
   b) The Bible teaches there are procedures to bring accusations against elders. 1Tim 5:19
   c) And all Christians should be good “Bereans”.

      i) To receive “the word with great eagerness” yet at the same time “examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these things were so.” Acts 17:11
      ii) All Christians are to encourage and correct each other, because iron sharpens iron, and anyone can prophesize.
    iii) If a teacher/pastor is afraid to answer questions, you have a problem. A good teacher loves the opportunity to teach and to learn himself. And all Christians should desire correction.
    iv) If you humbly ask your pastor questions and he just pulls rank (e.g. “I'm the pastor!”, “I have advanced degrees!”) then you have a big problem.
   v) 1Pet 5:2-3 – “shepherd (pastor) the flock of God among you, exercising oversight not under compulsion, but voluntarily, according to the will of God; and not for sordid gain, but with eagerness; nor yet as lording it over those allotted to your charge, but proving to be examples to the flock.”

d) However, when the pastor speaks to you that which is biblical, that is the very voice of God because he is God’s herald.

   i) That should bring godly fear to those being corrected.
   ii) It also should bring godly fear to those who teach and proclaim, because “Let not many of you become teachers, my brethren, knowing that as such we will incur a stricter judgment.” – James 3:1
3) Let us close reflecting on the Apostle Paul’s commands to the young pastor Timothy.

“All Scripture is inspired (literally “God-breathed”) by God and profitable for teaching (doctrine), for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God (the teacher/pastor, etc.) may be adequate, equipped for every good work. I solemnly charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by His appearing and His kingdom: preach (herald) the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with great patience and instruction. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine (same word for “teaching” from above); but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers (same word for “teacher” in James 3:1) in accordance to their own desires, and will turn away their ears from the truth and will turn aside to myths. But you (teacher/pastor), be sober in all things, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist (Gospel preacher), fulfill your ministry (service).” – 2Tim 3:16-4:5