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      - a. Remind them of these things and charge them before God not to guarrel about words.
        - 1.) It is **not good**.
        - 2.) It <u>ruins</u> the hearers. (*Gk. Katastrophe –* demolition)
    - 2. Watch yourself (v. 15)
      - a. Be <u>diligent</u> to present yourself to God as one approved
        - A worker who has no need to be ashamed
      - b. Rightly handling the word of truth. ("Cut Straight")
    - 3. Avoid **irreverent** babble (v. 16-18)
      - a. It leads people into increasing ungodliness (v. 16b)
      - b. It spreads like **gangrene** (v. 17a)
      - c. Hymenaeus and Philetus were visible examples of it (v. 17b-18) (c.f. 1 Tim. 1:19-20)
        - 1.) They <u>swerved</u> from the truth (v.18a) (c.f. 2 Tim. 2:8, 1 Cor. 15:12-20)
        - 2.) They **upset** the faith of some (v. 18b)
    - 4. The seal of God's firm foundation (v. 19)
      - a. The Lord **knows** those who are His (c.f. Num. 16:3-5, Tit. 1:10-11, Num. 18:8-11)
      - b. Those who go by His name should **depart** from iniquity