

## Vessels of Honor

2 Timothy 2:20-26

## We Are Vessels In The House Of God

The Church of Christ. **1 Timothy 3:15;**  
**Hebrews 3:6**

- ▶ We choose what type of vessel we are:
  - Honor or dishonor
- ▶ *What kind of person is a vessel of honor?*

## Brethren Need To Be Reminded 2 Timothy 2:14

Of things they have learned in the past.

- It is so easy to forget.  
(cf. 1 Timothy 4:6; 2 Peter 1:12-13; 3:1-2).

### All Kinds Of Vessels.

- ▶ **Honor** - *timee*, 1. the "worth" one ascribes to a person, i.e., "satisfaction," "compensation," "evaluation," "honour"; 2. (only after Hom.) the value of a thing, "price," "purchase price." (Theological Dictionary of the New Testament)
- ▶ **Meet** - *euchrēstos* means "useful, serviceable" (*Vine*).

## What Kind Of Person Is A Vessel Of Honor?

Purges himself from sin. **2 Timothy 2:21**

- ▶ **We must:**
  - Shun profane babblings. **2:16-18**
  - Depart from iniquity. **2:19**
  - Flee youthful lusts. **2:22**
  - Refuse foolish and ignorant questionings. **2:23 (14)**

## What Kind of Person is a Vessel of Honor?

Does not put sin in his heart. **2:22;**  
**cf. Matthew 15:18ff**

- Growth requires purging. **James 1:21;**  
**1 Peter 2:1-2; Ephesians 4:22, 31**
- Continuing in sin is incompatible with the grace we have received.  
**Romans 6:1-2, 12-14**

## What Kind of Person is a Vessel of Honor?

One who is sanctified. **2:21**

- Separated, set aside for special uses.
  - OT priests, tabernacle, holy altar, sacrifices, Sabbath, nation.
- Saint. **1 Corinthians 1:2**
  - Servant of righteousness unto sanctification (holiness). **Romans 6:16-22;**  
**(1 Thessalonians 4:1-8)**

## What Kind of Person is a Vessel of Honor?

- ▶ **One who is useful for the Master. 2:21 (cf. Matthew 25:15)**
  - **Priorities. Matthew 6:33**
    - Ready mind. *2 Corinthians 8:12*
    - Poor widow was useful to God. *Mark 12:41-44*
    - Mary did what she could. *Mark 14:8-9; (John 12:1-8)*
    - Some don't. *Hebrews 5:12*

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## What Kind of Person is a Vessel of Honor?

- One who is prepared for every good work. 2:21**
  - **Ready and available to work. Titus 3:1**
  - **We are prepared for use ...**
    - By scripture. *2 Timothy 3:16-17 (2:15)*
    - Through grace. *2 Corinthians 9:8-9*
    - Over time. *2 Timothy 4:11*
  - **Remain ready. Galatians 6:10**

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## What Kind of a Vessel?

- ▶ **Vitally important decision!**
- ▶ **The type of vessel you choose to be in the house of God has eternal consequences for you!**
- ▶ **The Lord knows who are His. 2 Timothy 2:19**

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