

# TRUSTWORTHY SAYINGS

## FIGHT – [The Charge of 1 Timothy]

2 Corinthians 11:4 For if someone comes to you and preaches a Jesus other than the Jesus we preached, or if you receive a different spirit from the Spirit you received, or a different gospel from the one you accepted, you put up with it easily enough. NIV

1 Timothy 3:16 Beyond all question, the mystery from which true godliness springs is great:  
He appeared in the flesh,  
was vindicated by the Spirit, [proved right]  
was seen by angels,  
was preached among the nations,  
was believed on in the world,  
was taken up in glory. NIV

**Creed:** A statement that summarizes and guides key beliefs and behaviors.

1 Timothy 1:15 Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the worst. NIV

1 Timothy 3:1 Here is a trustworthy saying: Whoever aspires to be an overseer desires a noble task. NIV

1 Timothy 4:7b-9 Train yourself to be godly. <sup>8</sup> For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come. <sup>9</sup> This is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance. NIV

2 Timothy 2:11 Here is a trustworthy saying: If we died with him, we will also live with him. NIV

### We need a framework of truth.

1 Corinthians 15:3-8 For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup> that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup> and that he appeared to Cephas, [Peter] and then to the Twelve. <sup>6</sup> After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup> Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, <sup>8</sup> and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born. NIV

Hebrews 5:14 But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil. NIV

## **We need to remember what God has done.**

Deuteronomy 26:1-11 When you have entered the land the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance and have taken possession of it and settled in it, <sup>2</sup> take some of the firstfruits of all that you produce from the soil of the land the Lord your God is giving you and put them in a basket. Then go to the place the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his Name <sup>3</sup> and say to the priest in office at the time, “I declare today to the Lord your God that I have come to the land the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.” <sup>4</sup> The priest shall take the basket from your hands and set it down in front of the altar of the Lord your God. <sup>5</sup> Then you shall declare before the Lord your God: “My father was a wandering Aramean, and he went down into Egypt with a few people and lived there and became a great nation, powerful and numerous. <sup>6</sup> But the Egyptians mistreated us and made us suffer, subjecting us to harsh labor. <sup>7</sup> Then we cried out to the Lord, the God of our ancestors, and the Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, toil and oppression. <sup>8</sup> So the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great terror and with signs and wonders. <sup>9</sup> He brought us to this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey; <sup>10</sup> and now I bring the firstfruits of the soil that you, Lord, have given me.” Place the basket before the Lord your God and bow down before him. <sup>11</sup> Then you and the Levites and the foreigners residing among you shall rejoice in all the good things the Lord your God has given to you and your household. NIV

Psalm 78:9-11 The men of Ephraim, though armed with bows, turned back on the day of battle; <sup>10</sup> they did not keep God’s covenant and refused to live by his law. <sup>11</sup> They forgot what he had done, the wonders he had shown them. NIV

## **We need to pass on what we’ve been given.**

Deuteronomy 11:18-21 “Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. <sup>19</sup> Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. <sup>20</sup> Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates, <sup>21</sup> so that your days and the days of your children may be many in the land the Lord swore to give your ancestors, as many as the days that the heavens are above the earth.” NIV

Deuteronomy 31:19 “Now write down this song and teach it to the Israelites and have them sing it, so that it may be a witness for me against them...<sup>21b</sup> I know what they are disposed to do, even before I bring them into the land I promised them on oath.” NIV

Matthew 28:19-20 [Jesus said,] “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” NIV

1 Timothy 2:2 And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others. NIV