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2 Thess. 2:15-So then, brethren, stand firm and hold to the **traditions** which you were taught, whether by word *of mouth* or by letter from **us**.

<u>7</u>

1 Tim. 4:7-16-twelve imperatives (4:7-16)

- a) Refuse fables (4:7a)
- b) Discipline yourself in godliness (4:7b-10)
- c) Prescribe these things (4:11a)
- d) Teach these things (4:11b)
- e) Let no man despise your youth (4:12a)
- f) Be an example (4:12b)
- g) Give attendance to public teaching of Scripture (4:13)
- h) Neglect not your gift (4:14)
- i) Meditate on these things (4:15a)
- j) Give yourself wholly to these things (4:15b)
- k) Take heed of yourself (4:16a)
- 1) Continue in these things (4:16b)

1 Thess. 2:9-For you recall, brethren, our labor and hardship, *how* working night and day so as not to be a burden to any of you, we proclaimed to you the gospel of God.

Acts 18:3-and because he was of the same trade, he stayed with them and they were working, for by trade they were <u>tent-makers</u>.

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1 Cor. 9:4-18-<sup>4</sup> Do we not have a right to eat and drink? <sup>5</sup> Do we not have a right to take along a believing wife, even as the rest of the apostles and the brothers of the Lord and Cephas? <sup>6</sup> Or do only Barnabas and I not have a right to refrain from working? <sup>7</sup> Who at any time serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat the fruit of it? Or who tends a flock and does not use the milk of the flock?

<sup>8</sup>I am not speaking these things according to human judgment, am I? Or does not the Law also say these things? <sup>9</sup>For it is written in the Law of Moses, "YOU SHALL NOT MUZZLE THE OX WHILE HE IS THRESHING." God is not concerned about oxen, is He? <sup>10</sup>Or is He speaking altogether for our sake? Yes, for our sake it was written, because the plowman ought to plow in hope, and the thresher to thresh in hope of sharing the crops. <sup>11</sup> If we sowed spiritual things in you, is it too much if we reap material things from you? <sup>12</sup> If others share the right over you, do we not more? Nevertheless, we did not use this right, but we endure all things so that we will cause no hindrance to the gospel of Christ. <sup>13</sup> Do you not know that those who perform sacred services eat the *food* of the temple, *and* those who attend regularly to the altar have their share from the altar? <sup>14</sup> So also the Lord directed those who proclaim the gospel to get their living from the gospel.

<sup>15</sup>But I have used none of these things. And I am not writing these things so that it will be done so in my case; for it would be better for me to die than have any man make my boast an empty one. <sup>16</sup>For if I preach the gospel, I have nothing to boast of, for I am under compulsion; **for woe is me if I do not preach the gospel**. <sup>17</sup>For if I do this voluntarily, I have a reward; but if against my will, I have a stewardship entrusted to me. <sup>18</sup> What then is my reward? That, when I preach the gospel, I may offer the gospel without charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel.

Jer. 20:9-But if I say, "I will not remember Him Or speak anymore in His name," Then in my heart it becomes <u>like a burning fire Shut up</u> <u>in my bones</u>; And I am weary of holding it in, And I cannot endure it.

Gal. 6:6-The one who is taught the word is to **share all good things** with the one who teaches *him*.

1 Tim. 5:17-18-<sup>17</sup> The elders who rule well are to be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who work hard at preaching and teaching. <sup>18</sup> For the Scripture says, "YOU SHALL NOT MUZZLE THE OX WHILE HE IS THRESHING," and "The laborer is worthy of his wages."

Luke 10:7-Stay in that house, eating and drinking what they give you; for the laborer is worthy of his wages. Do not keep moving from house to house.

## <u>10</u>

1 Thess. 4:11-and to make it your ambition to lead a quiet life and attend to your own business and work with your hands, just as we commanded you.

1 Tim. 5:8-But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

Nathaniel Philbrick: "The fall of 1623 marked the end of Plymouth's debilitating food shortages. For the last two planting seasons, the Pilgrims had grown crops communally-the approach first used at Jamestown and other English settlements. But as the disastrous harvest of the previous fall had shown, something drastic needed to be done to increase the annual yield. In April, Bradford had decided that each household should be assigned its own plot to cultivate, with the understanding that each family kept whatever it grew. The change in attitude was stunning. Families were now willing to work much harder than they had ever worked before. In previous years, the men had tended the fields while the women tended the children at home. "The women now went willingly into the field," Bradford wrote, "and took their little ones with them to set corn." The Pilgrims had stumbled on the power of capitalism. Although the fortunes of the colony still teetered precariously in the years ahead, the inhabitants never again starved." Nathaniel Philbrick, Mayflower: A Story of Courage, Community, and War (New York: Penguin Books, 2007, paperback edition), page 165.

## <u>11</u>

1 Thess. 4:11-and to make it your ambition to lead a quiet life and attend to your own business and work with your hands, just as we commanded you.

1 Tim. 5:13-At the same time they also learn *to be* idle, as they go around from house to house; and not merely idle, but also gossips and **busybodies**, talking about things not proper *to mention*.

Matt. 13:55-Is not this the <u>carpenter's son</u>? Is not His mother called Mary, and His brothers, James and Joseph and Simon and Judas?

1 Thess. 4:11-and to make it your ambition to lead a **quiet life** and attend to your own business and work with your hands, just as we commanded you.

## 14

2 Tim. 3:5-holding to a form of godliness, although they have denied its power; **Avoid such men as these**.

Matt. 18:15-17-<sup>15</sup> "If your brother sins, go and show him his fault in private; if he listens to you, you have won your brother. <sup>16</sup> But if he does not listen *to you*, take one or two more with you, so that BY THE MOUTH OF TWO OR THREE WITNESSES EVERY FACT MAY BE CONFIRMED. <sup>17</sup> If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.

1 Cor. 5:5-I have decided to deliver such a one to Satan for the **destruction of his flesh, so that his spirit may be saved** in the day of the Lord Jesus.

## <u>15</u>

Philip. 3:18-For many walk, of whom I often told you, and now tell you even weeping, *that they are* **enemies** of the cross of Christ

Matt. 13:25-But while his men were sleeping, his **enemy** came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went away

Matt. 13:28-And he said to them, 'An <u>enemy</u> has done this!' The slaves said to him, 'Do you want us, then, to go and gather them up?'

- 1 Thess. 5:14-We urge you, **brethren**, admonish the unruly, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with everyone.
- 1 Cor. 5:5-I have decided to deliver such a one to Satan for the **destruction of his flesh, so that his spirit may be saved** in the day of the Lord Jesus.
- 2 Cor. 2:6-8-6 Sufficient for such a one is this punishment which was inflicted by the majority, <sup>7</sup> so that on the contrary you should rather forgive and comfort him, otherwise such a one might be overwhelmed by excessive sorrow. <sup>8</sup> Wherefore I urge you to reaffirm your love for him.