

## **GUARD THE DEPOSIT**

This is our final lesson from the Study of Book of 1 Timothy. You can study the entire Book of 1 Timothy at [doctrinalstudies.com](http://doctrinalstudies.com).

In the greater context (1 Tim.6:12-21), Paul outlined four important doctrines by four imperatives.

(1 Tim.6:12a)	Fight	(aganizo/ p.m.impv.2ps)	Faith
(1 Tim.6:12b-16)	Take hold	(epilambano/ a.m.impv.2ps)	Eternal Life
(1 Tim.6:17-19)	Instruct	(paraggello/ p.a.impv.2ps)	God's Guaranteed Investments
(1 Tim.6:20-21)	Guard	(phulasso/ a.a.impv.2ps)	Deposit of gospel of grace salvation

**This lesson will study five aspects of the command to Guard the Deposit of gospel of grace salvation.**

### **1. In this lesson, Paul commanded Timothy to “guard what has been entrusted (ten paratheke/ asf) [committed / deposited] to you” (1 Tim.6:20)**

Translators made **entrusted** into a verbal form when it is actually the direct object of guard (asf) so the correct translation should be – **Guard the Deposit**.

“**The deposit**” is God’s deposit of grace salvation for every believer in the gospel of Jesus Christ.  
(message and mechanics)

(1 Cor.15:3-4) “For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,”

(Rom.1:16) “For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile”.

(Eph.2:8-9) “For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith - and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God - not by works, so that no one can boast.

(John 10:28-30) “I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father’s hand. I and the Father are one.”

### **2. “The deposit” are the 50 Things received in the package of grace salvation the moment a person believes the gospel of Jesus Christ.**

- **13 judicial charges** of Adam’s original sin (AOS) are removed.
- **9 communion factors** of redemptive blood of Christ are given by grace.
- **8 works of the Holy Spirit** in grace salvation.
- **20 status privileges** of identity with Christ to every Church Age Believer (CAB) at moment of grace salvation.

(1 Tim.6:20) “O Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to you.”

3. **In (1 Tim.6:20), Paul emphasized what God had entrusted to every believer. But in (2 Tim.1:12), Paul emphasized what the believer has entrusted to God in grace salvation.**

(2 Tim.1:12) “For this reason I also suffer these things, but I am not ashamed; **for I know whom I have believed and I am convinced that He is able to guard what I have entrusted to Him until that day.**”

Paul is making two important doctrinal points that must not be over-looked.

- Every Church Age Believer (CAB) is to guard what God has deposited in him/ her (**grace salvation**) (1 Tim.6:20).
- God is able to guard what the Church Age Believer (CAB) has entrusted to Him (**saving faith**) (2 Tim.1:12).

4. **In (2 Tim.1:14), Paul commanded Timothy “to guard the treasure which has been entrusted to you by the indwelling Holy Spirit”.**

(2 Tim.1:14) “**Guard** (phulasso/ a.a.impv.2ps), through the Holy Spirit who dwells (enoikeo/ p.a.ptc.gsn) in us, the treasure which has been entrusted (ten paratheke/ asf) to you.”

The indwelling of The Holy Spirit is just one of eight works accomplished by the Holy Spirit at the moment of grace salvation. (1 Cor.6:19-20; 3:16; Rom.8:9 and 2 Cor.6:16).

(John 14:16) “And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, **that He may be with you forever.**”

5. **Paul closes with a warning to Timothy to avoid (ektrepo/ p.m.ptc.nsm) [to shun or to turn away from] the opposing argument of the gospel and grace salvation.**

**State the case for:**

**The grace gospel of:**

(1 Cor.15:3-4) “For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,”

**Faith apart from works:**

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**And leave it to the Holy Spirit to convict:**

(John 16:7-15) “But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because people do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned. “I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into

all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you.”

### **Just deliver the mail!**

(1 Tim.6:20-21) “O Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to you, **avoiding worldly and empty chatter** and the opposing argument of what is **falsely called ‘knowledge’** – which some have professed and thus gone astray from the faith. Grace be with you.”

- **Falsely called** (pseudonumos)
  - [falsely named] English – pseudonym.
  - I call this “Cosmos Diabolicus” for satan’s worldly system of deceptive lies.
- **knowledge** (gnosis)

(John 8:44) “You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because **there is no truth in him.** Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own nature; for he is a liar, and **the father of lies.**”

(John 14:6) “Jesus said to him (Thomas), ‘I am the way, **and the truth**, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but through Me.’”

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