

*Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.*

**Psalm 119:105**

## Store In My Heart

### 1Timothy 4:16

Keep a close watch on yourself and on the teaching. Persist in this, for by so doing you will save both yourself and your hearers.

Choosing just one verse for this letter is hard. Paul wrote this letter to Timothy, one he trusted to teach as he himself had done. It was probably written between 60 and 66 AD and reached Timothy while he was working with the church in Ephesus.

The general message of this letter is focused on helping Timothy with his work as a proclaimer of the Gospel. Instructions on helping the various types of individuals in a local congregation work together for God are included. Qualifications for elders and deacons are also found here. Understanding of these things is necessary for us to work together as a congregation. It is not just for preachers.



# The Bible

## William A. Sunday

With the Holy Spirit as my guide, I enter this wonderful temple called the Bible. I entered the portico of Genesis, walked down through the O.T. art gallery, where pictures of Noah, Abraham, Moses, Joseph, Isaac, and Daniel hung upon the walls.

I passed into the music room of Psalms where the Spirit swept the keyboard of nature and brought forth the dirge like wail of the weeping Jeremiah to the grand impassioned strains of Isaiah, until it seemed that every reed and pipe in God's great organ of nature responded to the tuneful harp of David, the sweet singer of Israel.

I entered the chapel of Ecclesiastes where the preacher's voice was heard and into the conservatory of Sharon where Lily of the Valley's sweet-scented spices filled and perfumed my life.

I entered the business office of Proverbs, then into the observatory-room of the prophets where I saw telescopes of various sizes, some pointing to far-off events, but all concentrated upon the Bright and Morning Star which was to rise above the moonlit hills of Judea for our salvation.

I entered the audience-room of the King of Kings and caught a vision of His Glory from Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John; into the Acts of the Apostles, where the Holy Spirit was doing His work in forming the infant church; then into the correspondence-room where sat Paul, Peter, James, Jude, and John, penning their Epistles.

I stepped into the throne-room of Revelation where, all towered in glittering peaks, I got a vision of the King sitting upon the throne in all His Glory, and I cried:

All hail the power of Jesus' name, Let angles prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of All.

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## For Our Information

Joyce Venable is using a walker and is on oxygen now. She is still recovering from her fall.

Vickie McNeas is feeling a little better after a doctor visit.

Jimmy Gray is doing much better.

Dan's Mom, Dottie, went home Friday. She will have physical therapy for a while. She is feeling a little better, but it will be a while before she gets back to normal activity.

Pray for safety, courage & healing.

# The Anvil

Last eve I passed beside a blacksmith's door  
And heard the anvil ring the vesper chime:  
Then looking in, I saw upon the floor  
Old hammers, worn with beating years of time.  
"How many anvils have you had," said I,  
"To wear and batter all these hammers so?"  
"Just one," said he, and then with twinkling eyes,  
"The anvil wears the hammers out, you know."  
And so, thought I, the anvil of God's word,  
For ages skeptic blows have beat upon;  
Yet though the noise of falling blows was heard,  
The anvil is unharmed . . . the hammers are gone.

The author of the above poem is unknown. The lesson is a timely one.

All around us are those who would remove the Word of God from our world. Some want it gone entirely. Others are satisfied with just removing parts of it from society. Still more would be happy with just changing a few things that seem too particular. Paul warned of those who would pervert God's Word.

*But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be accursed. Galatians 1:8*

Man can never change even one small part of the Word of God. It is the same today as it has always been. The message of that Word is just as important now as it was when Peter spoke it almost 2000 years ago. The message of Paul to the brethren in Rome is needed by everyone on the face of the earth today. Man is sinful and unable to save himself. Christ is the answer and God sent Him to do what we could not do. Heaven and Hell are real and one of them will be our eternal abode. Which depends on how we respond to the Word God left to guide us.

Accept it and make it a part of your life and Heaven will be yours. Reject it and live by man's rules and you will suffer the punishment reserved for Satan and his followers! Study Carefully! Apply Diligently! DLH

We seek only to serve God according to His Will!

