



Introduction

A Sound Testimony

“...Christ Jesus, who witnessed the **good confession** before Pontius Pilate”

- 1 Timothy 6:13

“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. For by it the elders obtained a **good report**”

- Hebrews 11:1-2

What is a sound testimony?

- ‘Sound’
 - Having completeness, wholeness, integrity
 - Full maturity; completely capable
- In Hebrew: *methom* (Strong's H4974)
 - Used of a body, literally: Psalm 38:3, 7
 - Used of a body, figuratively: Isaiah 1:5-6
 - Used of a city's inhabitants: Judges 20:48

What is a sound testimony?

- In Greek: *hugiaino, hugies* (Strong's G5198, 5199)
 - Used of a body, literally: Acts 3:12, 16; 4:10
 - Used of **doctrine** (1 & 2 Timothy, Titus)
 - Used of **words**, *logos* (1 & 2 Timothy, Titus)
 - Used of **faith** (Titus)

Sound doctrine

- 1 Timothy 1:10
- 2 Timothy 4:3
- Titus 1:9

- Doctrine is important to God. Sound doctrine is required for a sound testimony!
- ‘Red letters?’

Sound words

- 1 Timothy 6:3-4
- 2 Timothy 1:13
- Titus 2:8

- Word – *logos*: the expression or statement of something; a matter of discourse or conversation (c.f. John 1:1)
- “The outline of sound words”

Sound in the faith

- Titus 1:13
- Titus 2:2
- Faith: practical power for a sound testimony!

The testimony of faith

- Hebrews 11:1-16, 12:1-3
- Abel
- Enoch
- Noah
- Abraham



Conclusion

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- Titus 2: a sound testimony for people of all ages!