THE PASTORAL LETTERS

Depravity, Godliness and Contentment 1 Timothy 6:3-10

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- 1. Believers must carefully heed the warnings about things that can lead to a shipwreck of their faith.
 - a. Believers must hold firm to the sound ______ doctrines that are focused on the Lord Jesus Christ.
 - b. Those who become puffed up with their own religious ideas and curiosities show that they actually ______ nothing in the way they ought to know.
 - c. Religious ______ leads to an unhealthy focus on controversy and strife.
 - d. The end result is depravity of mind which means one is ______ and deprived of the truth.

2. Believers must regularly pursue the great gain that comes from a Christ centered godliness.

"A man possessed of ______ godliness is a gaining, thriving man: such as are godly, or truly gracious, they are come into good and happy circumstances, and are the possessors of the true, solid, satisfying, durable, and unsearchable riches of grace." - John Gill

- 3. Godly contentment should be highly valued and guarded carefully.
 - a. Godly contentment recognizes that the state of the ______ is not based on outward means and possessions.
 - B. Godly contentment is content with basic needs and receives what God provides with _____.

"Christian contentment is that sweet, inward, quiet, gracious frame of spirit, which freely ______ to and delights in God's wise and fatherly disposal in every condition." - Jeremiah Burroughs

- c. Those who let ______ overcome them reject godly contentment, and open themselves up to many temptations and snares.
- d. The love of money can ultimately lead to a regarding faith accompanied with deep heart sorrows.