

Questions for Consideration—With the Master Shepherding the Sheep—Lesson 10—1 Timothy 4:1-5—
Are you Being Deceived by Doctrines of Demons or Do You Believe and Know the Truth?

1. (a) Read 1 Timothy 4:1-5 and list the things you notice about those who depart from the faith and the things you notice about those who know the truth? (b) What differences are there between the two lists?

2. Memorize 1 Timothy 4:4.

3. (a) Who is behind all seducing spirits according to Genesis 3:1-5? (b) Why is it difficult at times to discern false spirits according to 2 Corinthians 11:13-15? (c) How does one discern seducing spirits according to 2 Peter 2:12-22, 1 John 4:1-6 and Jude 1:16-20?

4. (a) According to the Mosaic Law what kinds of things were forbidden to be eaten? (See Leviticus 11) (b) What took place in Acts 10:9-48 that changed what you read in Leviticus 11? (c) How does this help you to better understand 1 Timothy 4:1-5? (d) What principles can you glean from Romans 14 that may help you when you have differences with others regarding what is proper to eat and what is not?

5. Paul says every creature of God is good and nothing is to be refused if it is received with thanksgiving. In context this would include food as well as marriage. Make a list of things that you are particularly thankful for pertaining to certain foods and the blessings of marriage.

6. (a) What would be some current “doctrines of demons” that you see in the Christian world today? (b) How do you keep yourself from being led away from seducing spirits and doctrines of demons? (Jude 18:18-21 are great verses to remember!)

7. Write a prayer of thanksgiving to God for either/both food and the institution of marriage.