

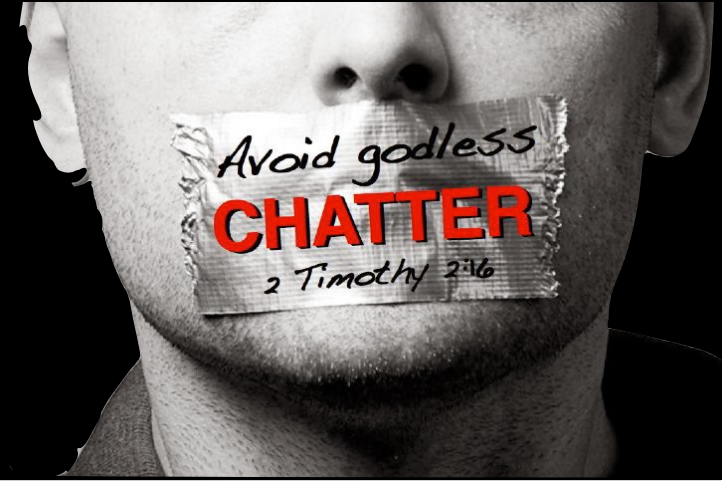


Avoid godless

CHATTER

2 Timothy 2:16

Timothy's Discouraging Circumstances



Some May Not Have Respected Him

1 Timothy 4:12 - Let no one despise your youth...

He Had Suffered Imprisonment (Hebrews 13:23)

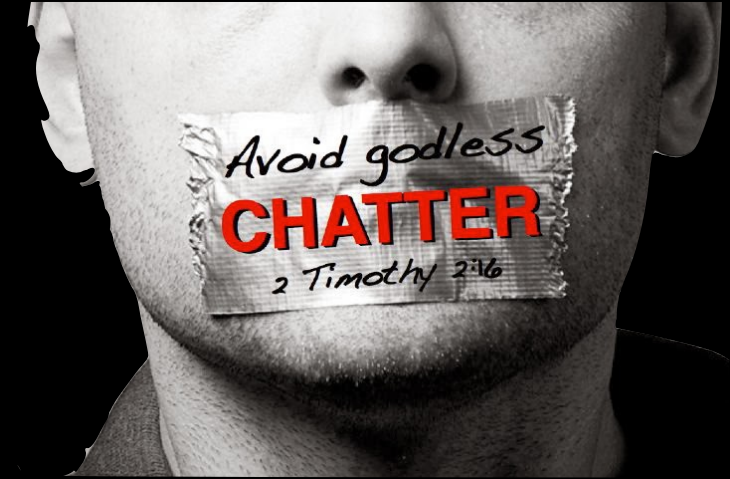
Paul's Death Is Imminent

2 Timothy 4:6 - For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand.

He Must Fight The Good Fight (1 Timothy 6:12)

He Must Prepare Faithful Men (2 Timothy 2:2)

Do Not Strive About Words (2:14)



We'll Answer For Every Idle Word (Matthew 12:33-37)

Two Extreme Positions:

Justification For Cowardly Avoiding Issues

Jude 3; 1 Thessalonians 5:17; 2 Timothy 4:2

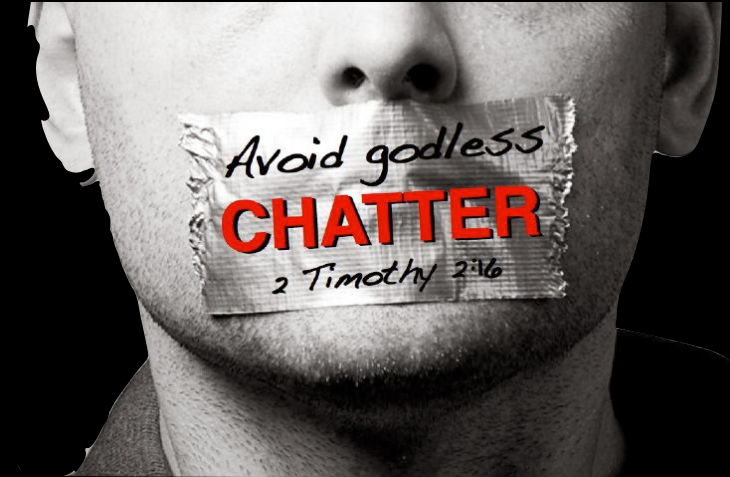
Every Disagreement Should Be Brought Before All
Acts 15:1-2

Proverbs 26:4-5

Note The Two Qualifiers:

“...to no profit...” | “...to the ruin of the hearers”

Shun Profane & Idle Babblings (2:15-18)



“Idle” = Meaningless, Empty, Useless, Worthless, Foolish

“Babble” = Chatter, Speak, Noise, Sound

Refute or Reject Hymenaeus & Philetus?

Refute or Reject Those Like Jannes & Jambres (3:8-9)

They Do Not Rightly Divide The Word

They Will Increase To More Ungodliness

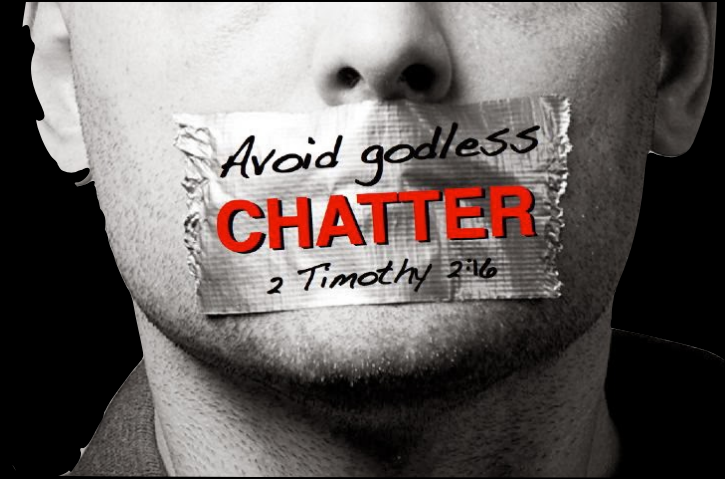
Their Message Will Spread Like Cancer

They Overthrow The Faith Of Some

They Resist The Truth

They Have Corrupt Minds

Avoid Foolish & Ignorant Disputes (2:23)

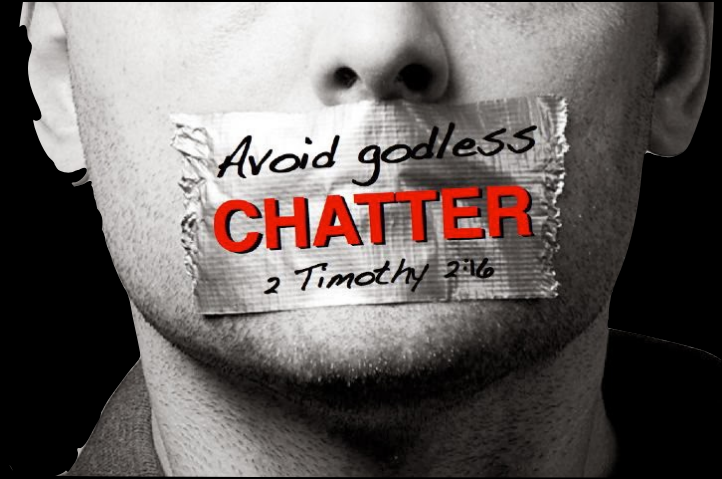


Notice These Other Admonitions Given By Paul:

1 Timothy 4:7; 6:20-21; Titus 1:10-14

“A ‘factious man’ ... is one who gathers around himself other discontented spirits, and establishes what might be called a rival congregation, all of whose members hold the same views and opinions on the matters dear to the sect. The ‘factious man’ often goes from person to person, or group to group, forcing people to make a choice. ‘Are you for me, or are you in agreement with that other person?’ And when choices are forced, divisions are the result”
(Reese, New Testament Epistles: Timothy and Titus, p. 417)

A Servant Of The Lord Must Not Quarrel (2:24-26)



Some Will Not Accept Sound Doctrine

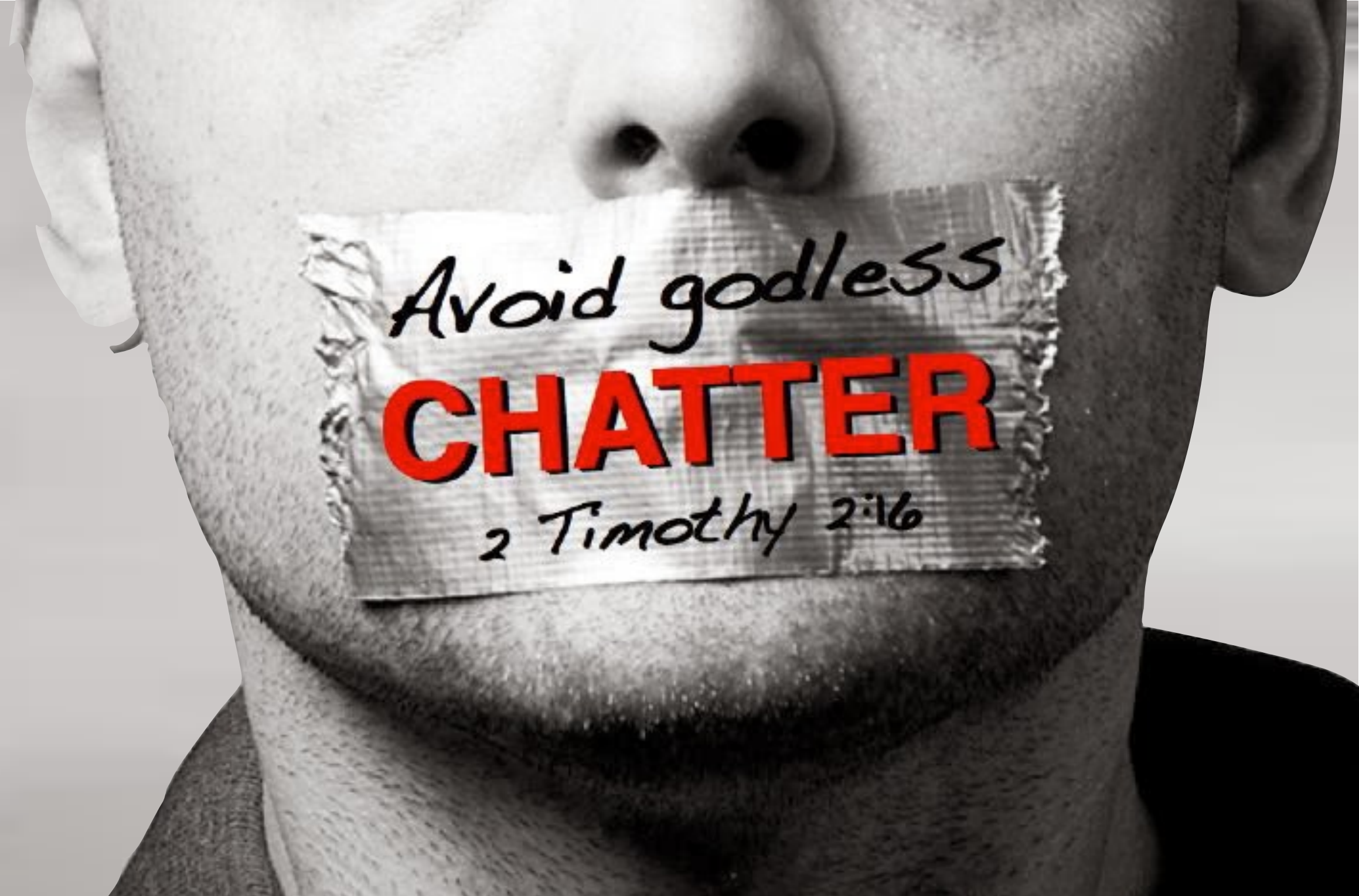
2 Timothy 4:3-4

The Appropriate Response Is To Reject Them

1 Timothy 6:3-5; Titus 3:9-11

And Gently Correct Those Who Will Listen

“that they may come to their senses and escape the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to do his will” (26)



Are You Rejecting Profane, Idle,
Foolish, & Ignorant Talk?