

Pattern of Sound Words Stops the Devil's Deception Part I

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As a Pastor it is my obligation unto the Lord to make sure that every member of the church grows spiritually and doctrinally sound through a pattern of sound words as stated in 2 Timothy 1:13-14, "13 Hold fast the pattern of sound words which you have heard from me, in faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. 14 That good thing which was committed to you, keep by the Holy Spirit who dwells in us." A pattern of sound words is a model from the scriptures by which you can grow spiritually. It establishes your behavior, attitude, and beliefs to walk and live in the knowledge and wisdom of God. A pattern of sound words will cause you to not be ignorant of the Devil's devices and wiles to overtake you. Always remember in the world, evil desires come through the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life (1 John 2:16). Live and grow in Christ to not be deceived by the Devil. The world is mutable, and you must be sound to observe it.

In the world people face earthquakes, floods, fires, pestilences, hurricanes. We are faced with wars, confusion, commotions, divisions, racism, hatred, murder, death, immorality, and rebellion. People are also having to combat deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons working through false apostles, false prophets, false teachers, false pastors, and false evangelism.

These are heightened signs in America and abroad of the coming of Jesus Christ. Don't

believe that all monetary donations sent to missions are going to poor people and poverty-

stricken countries. Christian media, non-profit organizations, and Christian organizations use

the same methods, ideologies and concepts through ministers and ministries to gain billions

of dollars in donations. Remember the pattern of sound word according to 2 Corinthians

11:12-15. I encourage every Saint of God to examine themselves according to 2 Corinthians

13:5-6 to see whether they are in the faith. Also read 2 Timothy 3:1-7 about the perilous times

to see if any of the characteristics listed describe you. Examination is for your repentance to

righteousness.

Understand God's time and not our solar time for His judgement. Jesus said in Mark

13:32, "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son,

but only the Father." Psalm 90:4 says, "For a thousand years in Your sight Are like yesterday

when it is past, And like a watch in the night." 2 Peter 3:8-9 reveals this teaching, "But,

beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a

thousand years as one day. ⁹ The Lord is not slack concerning *His* promise, as some count

slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all

should come to repentance." Each of these scriptures explain that all generations are in God's

dispensation of time. Therefore, for those who say that you have been hearing for years Jesus

is soon to come, don't be deceived by the Devil. The coming of Jesus Christ is according to

God's dispensation of time and not the earth's time. God's time is measured in that one day

is as a thousand years.

May the knowledge of God grow your understanding.