

What We Believe

ABOUT DOCTRINE

1. From its Definition

- a. Didasko, “I teach” / Didaskalia, “The Teachings,” “That Which is Taught, “Instruction.”
b. Doctrine is simply what is _____.

- Biblically, it is something that is _____ through systematic Bible study and set down as _____ on a particular subject.

○ Example: The Triune nature of God (*The Trinity*)

- 1 Timothy 1:3-4, Paul commanded Timothy to “...command certain people not to teach _____ any longer or to devote themselves to _____ and endless genealogies. Such things promote controversial _____ rather than advancing God’s work – which is by faith.”

- c. Doctrine includes but is not limited to teachings on _____ things that form a _____ of teaching on _____ and _____ beliefs. It especially involves _____.

- Faith and behavior are not _____ but _____ to every person in every generation past, present, and future.
- 2 Timothy 3:15-17, “(Holy Scriptures) are able to make you wise for _____ through _____ in Christ Jesus. All scripture is God-_____ and is _____ for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in _____, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly _____ for every good work.”

2. Biblical Doctrines are Doctrines that are _____.

- a. The Greek word used for “sound” is where we get our English word _____.

- Matthew 12:13, for example, uses the word “hygiene” when Jesus restored a man’s shriveled hand “just as _____ as the other.”

- b. Therefore, *Sound Doctrine* can also mean _____ doctrine or doctrine that is _____ and _____.

- c. CAUTION! Not all teachings we hear are _____ or _____ and _____ for us.

- d. These unhealthy, unsafe, and unsound teachings are called _____ doctrines.

- People are commanded “not to teach _____ doctrines” (1 Timothy 1:3)
- Matthew 15:9: Jesus said some people worship in vain and their doctrines are “merely human _____.”
- 1 Timothy 4:1-2, “The Spirit clearly says that in later times some will abandon the faith and follow _____ spirits and things taught by _____.
Such teachings come through hypocritical liars.”

- e. **T/F** – All Christian believers should seek and embrace teachings that are healthy, safe and sound. They should also reject teaching that is unhealthy, unsafe, and unsound.

3. Biblical Doctrines Must be Taught

- a. 2 Timothy 1:11, “*And of this gospel I was appointed a _____ and an _____ and a _____.*”
- b. 1 Timothy 4:16, Paul told Timothy to “*... watch your life and _____ closely. Persevere in them, because if you do, you will save both yourself and your hearers.*”
- c. Titus 2:1, “*You, however, must _____ what is appropriate to _____.*”
- d. For further study:

- Ephesians 4:11-16
- Titus 1:5-16