

RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD

2 Timothy 2:14-15

INTRO:

- A. Last week we learned that we must use the Bible in such a way that the passages harmonize, keep them in their context and always remember that the message is from God.
- B. In this lesson we begin to see the problems that spring from Calvin's TULIP doctrine.

I. REVIEW FROM LAST WEEK

- A. The Bible came from God. 2 Timothy 3:16-17
- B. It is ALL truth. John 16:12-13
- C. It must not be perverted. Galatians 1:8
- D. Beware of false teachers. Matthew 7:15-20

II. TOTAL DEPRAVITY/ORIGINAL SIN

- A. Misused passages:
 - 1. Man only evil continually. Genesis 6:5
 - 2. Desperately wicked. Jeremiah 17:9,10
 - 3. None righteous. Romans 3:10-18
 - 4. One man's disobedience. Romans 5:18-19
 - (a. Because all sinned. Romans 5:12)

III. HOLD IT UP TO THE LIGHT

- A. God made man upright. Ecclesiastes 7:29
- B. My sins, not others. Ezekiel 18:1-4, 20
- C. Be like little children. Matthew 18:1-5; 19:13-14
- D. Judged by what we have done. 2 Corinthians 5:10
- E. Reap what we sow. Galatians 6:7-8

CONCLUSION:

- A. All of God's word is truth, but must be used in keeping with its context, and understand in a way that it harmonizes with other clear passages.
- B. When we start with a faulty proposition, every conclusion that springs from it will also be false.
- C. Instead come to Christ, and listen carefully to His word and obey.