

STUDY TO SHEW THYSELF APPROVED UNTO GOD

2 Tim 2:14-15

14 Of these things put them in remembrance, charging them before the Lord that they strive not about words to no profit, but to the subverting of the hearers. **15** Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. (KJV)

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Definitions

(1)Study-4704 spoudazo (spoo-dad'-zo); from 4710; to use speed, i.e. to make effort, be prompt or earnest, to hasten, to make haste, to exert oneself: KJV-- do (give) diligence, be diligent (forward), endeavour, labour, study.

(2)to shew thyself-3936 paristemi or prolonged paristano-1) to present 3) to provide 4) to place a person or thing at one's disposal

(3)approved unto God-1384 -dokimos (dok'-ee-mos);from 1380; properly, acceptable (current after assayal), i.e. approved: KJV-- approved, tried, accepted, pleasing.

(4)a workman that needeth not to be ashamed-422 anepaischuntos-having no cause to be ashamed

(5)rightly dividing the word of truth-3718 orthotomeo (or-thot-om-eh'-o);from a compound of 3717 and the base of 5114, to make a straight cut, i.e. (figuratively) to dissect (expound) correctly (the divine message), to cut straight, to cut straight ways to proceed on straight paths, to hold a straight course, equivalent to doing right 2) to make straight and smooth, to handle aright, to teach the truth directly and correctly: KJV-- rightly divide.

2 Tim 2:15 ... Study to shew thyself (KJV)

Heb 4:11 Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief. (KJV)

2 Pet 1:3-16

3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue: **4** Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust. **5** And beside this, **(1)giving all diligence**, add to your faith **(2)virtue**; and to virtue knowledge; **6** And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; **7** And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. **8** For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. **9** But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins. **10** Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall: **11** For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **12** Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know them, and be established in the present truth. **13** Yea, I think it

meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting you in remembrance; **14** Knowing that shortly I must put off this my tabernacle, even as our Lord Jesus Christ hath shewed me. **15** Moreover I will endeavour that ye may be able after my decease to have these things always in remembrance. **16** For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty. (KJV)

Definitions

(1)giving all diligence-4710 spoude (spoo-day'); from 4692; "speed", i.e. (by implication) despatch, eagerness, earnestness, earnestness in accomplishing, promoting, or striving after anything, to interest oneself most earnestly: KJV-- business, (earnest) care (-fulness), diligence, forwardness, haste.

(2)virtue-703 arete (ar-et'-ay);from the same as 730; properly, manliness (valor), i.e. excellence (intrinsic or attributed): KJV-- praise, virtue.730 arrhen (ar'-hrane);or arsen (ar'-sane); probably from 142; male (as stronger for lifting):KJV-- male, man.

2 Pet 3:7-15

7 But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men. **8** But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. **9** The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. **10** But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. **11** Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, **12** Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? **13** Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness. **14** Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless. **15** And account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you; (KJV)

2 Tim 2:15 ... approved unto God, (KJV)

Acts 2:22

Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know: (KJV)

Rom 16:1-16

1 I commend unto you Phebe our sister, which is a servant of the church which is at Cenchrea: **2** That ye receive her in the Lord, as becometh saints, and that ye assist her in whatsoever business she hath need of you: for she hath been a succourer of many, and of myself also. **3** Greet Priscilla and Aquila my helpers in Christ Jesus: **4** Who have for my life laid down their own necks: unto whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles. **5** Likewise greet the church that is in their house. Salute my wellbeloved Epaenetus, who is the firstfruits of Achaia unto Christ. **6** Greet Mary, who bestowed much labour on us. **7** Salute Andronicus and Junia, my kinsmen, and my fellowprisoners, who are of note among the apostles, who also were in Christ

before me. **8** Greet Amplias my beloved in the Lord. **9** Salute Urbane, our helper in Christ, and Stachys my beloved. **10** Salute Apelles approved in Christ. Salute them which are of Aristobulus' household. **11** Salute Herodion my kinsman. Greet them that be of the household of Narcissus, which are in the Lord. **12** Salute Tryphena and Tryphosa, who labour in the Lord. Salute the beloved Persis, which laboured much in the Lord. **13** Salute Rufus chosen in the Lord, and his mother and mine. **14** Salute Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermas, Patrobas, Hermes, and the brethren which are with them. **15** Salute Philologus, and Julia, Nereus, and his sister, and Olympas, and all the saints which are with them. **16** Salute one another with an holy kiss. The churches of Christ salute you. (KJV)

2 Cor 5:6-11

6 Therefore we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: **7** (For we walk by faith, not by sight:) **8** We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord. **9** Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him. **10** For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad. **11** Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God; and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences. (KJV)

2 Cor 10:17-18

17 But he that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord. **18** For not he that commendeth himself is approved, but whom the Lord commendeth. (KJV)

Gal 1:8-12

8 But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. **9** As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed. **10** For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ. **11** But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man. **12** For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ. (KJV)

1Thes 2:1-6

1 For yourselves, brethren, know our entrance in unto you, that it was not in vain: **2** But even after that we had suffered before, and were shamefully entreated, as ye know, at Philippi, we were bold in our God to speak unto you the gospel of God with much contention. **3** For our exhortation was not of deceit, nor of uncleanness, nor in guile: **4** But as we were **(1)allowed** of God to be put in trust with the gospel, even so we speak; not as pleasing men, but God, which trieth our hearts. **5** For neither at any time used we flattering words, as ye know, nor a cloke of covetousness; God is witness: **6** Nor of men sought we glory, neither of you, nor yet of others, when we might have been burdensome, as the apostles of Christ. (KJV)

Definition:**(1)allowed** of God-1381 dokimazo (dok-im-ad'-zo);from 1384; to test (literally or figuratively); by implication, to approve: KJV-- allow, discern, examine, X like, (ap-) prove, try.

2 Tim 2:15 ... a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, (KJV)

2 Cor 3:5-16

5 Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God; **6** Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life. **7** But if the ministration of death, written and engraven in stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not stedfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of his countenance; which glory was to be done away: **8** How shall not the ministration of the spirit be rather glorious? **9** For if the ministration of condemnation be glory, much more doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory. **10** For even that which was made glorious had no glory in this respect, by reason of the glory that excelleth. **11** For if that which is done away was glorious, much more that which remaineth is glorious. **12** Seeing then that we have such hope, we use great plainness of speech: **13** And not as Moses, which put a vail over his face, that the children of Israel could not stedfastly look to the end of that which is abolished: **14** But their minds were blinded: for until this day remaineth the same vail untaken away in the reading of the old testament; which vail is done away in Christ. **15** But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the vail is upon their heart. **16** Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, the vail shall be taken away. (KJV)

2 Cor 6:1-10

1 We then, as workers together with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain. **2** (For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.) **3** Giving no offence in any thing, that the ministry be not blamed: **4** But in all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses, **5** In stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in fastings; **6** By pureness, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned, **7** By the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, **8** By honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report: as deceivers, and yet true; **9** As unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and, behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed; **10** As sorrowful, yet alway rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things. (KJV)

1 Tim 4:1-8

1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; **2** Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron; **3** Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth. **4** For every creature of God is good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving: **5** For it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer. **6** If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained. **7** But refuse profane and old wives' fables, and exercise thyself rather unto godliness. **8** For bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come. (KJV)

1 Tim 4:9-16

9 This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation. **10** For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe. **11** These things command and teach. **12** Let no man despise thy youth; but be

thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity. **13** Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. **14** Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery. **15** Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear to all. **16** Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee. (KJV)

2 Tim 2:15 ... rightly dividing the word of truth. (KJV)

Matt 13:49-53

49 So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall come forth, and sever the wicked from among the just, **50** And shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. **51** Jesus saith unto them, Have ye understood all these things? They say unto him, Yea, Lord. **52** Then said he unto them, Therefore every scribe which is instructed unto the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure things new and old. **53** And it came to pass, that when Jesus had finished these parables, he departed thence. (KJV)

Mark 4:33-34

33 And with many such parables spake he the word unto them, as they were able to hear it. **34** But without a parable spake he not unto them: and when they were alone, he expounded all things to his disciples. (KJV)

John 21:15-17

15 So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs. **16** He saith to him again the second time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my sheep. **17** He saith unto him the third time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed my sheep. (KJV)

Acts 20:16-21

16 For Paul had determined to sail by Ephesus, because he would not spend the time in Asia: for he hasted, if it were possible for him, to be at Jerusalem the day of Pentecost. **17** And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the church. **18** And when they were come to him, he said unto them, Ye know, from the first day that I came into Asia, after what manner I have been with you at all seasons, **19** Serving the Lord with all humility of mind, and with many tears, and temptations, which befell me by the lying in wait of the Jews: **20** And how I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publicly, and from house to house, **21** Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. (KJV)

Acts 20:24-27

24 But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God. **25** And now, behold, I know that ye all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, shall see my face no more. **26** Wherefore I take you to

record this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men. **27** For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God. (KJV)

1 Cor 2:1-8

1 And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God. **2** For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified. **3** And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling. **4** And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: **5** That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God. **6** Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought: **7** But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory: **8** Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. (KJV)

1 Cor 3:1-4

1 And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ. **2** I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able to bear it, neither yet now are ye able. **3** For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men? **4** For while one saith, I am of Paul; and another, I am of Apollos; are ye not carnal? (KJV)

2 Cor 4:1-5

1 Therefore seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not; **2** But have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully; but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God. **3** But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: **4** In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. **5** For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake. (KJV)

1Thes 5:12-22

12 And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you; **13** And to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. And be at peace among yourselves. **14** Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly, comfort the feebleminded, support the weak, be patient toward all men. **15** See that none render evil for evil unto any man; but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all men. **16** Rejoice evermore. **17** Pray without ceasing. **18** In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. **19** Quench not the Spirit. **20** Despise not prophesyings. **21** Prove all things; hold fast that which is good. **22** Abstain from all appearance of evil. (KJV)

Heb 5:8-14

8 Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered; **9** And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him; **10** Called of God an high priest after the order of Melchisedec. **11** Of whom we have many things to say, and hard to be uttered, seeing ye are dull of hearing. **12** For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of

God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat. **13** For every one that useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe. **14** But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil. (KJV)

2 Tim 2:15 ... additional scriptures (KJV)

1 Cor 3:10-11

10 According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon. **11** For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. (KJV)

2 Cor 13:5-8

5 Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates? **6** But I trust that ye shall know that we are not reprobates. **7** Now I pray to God that ye do no evil; not that we should appear approved, but that ye should do that which is honest, though we be as reprobates. **8** For we can do nothing against the truth, but for the truth. (KJV)

Eph 1:1-5

1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, to the saints which are at Ephesus, and to the faithful in Christ Jesus: **2** Grace be to you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. **3** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ: **4** According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: **5** Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, (KJV)

Eph 1:11-14

11 In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will: **12** That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ. **13** In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, **14** Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory. (KJV)

Phil 2:15-16

15 That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world; **16** Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain. (KJV)

II Th 2:8-15

8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: **9** Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, **10** And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. **11** And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: **12** That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had

pleasure in unrighteousness. **13** But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth: **14** Whereunto he called you by our gospel, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. **15** Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle. (KJV)

Titus 1:1-3

1 Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness; **2** In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began; **3** But hath in due times manifested his word through preaching, which is committed unto me according to the commandment of God our Saviour; (KJV)