



2TOM

**Usefulness -
2:20-26**

Colosseum

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Starting Point - TRUTH

- 1. Absolute truth exists**
- 2. It is discovered not invented**
- 3. It is transcultural**
- 4. It is unchanging**
- 5. It cannot be changed by beliefs**

OUTLINE

- I. Preparation for Faithfulness 1**
- II. Principles for Faithfulness 2-3**
 - A. Faithfulness in Ministry 2:1-7**
 - B. Faithfulness in Suffering 2:8-13**
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 - 2. Usefulness among Opposition 2:20-26**
 - a. Useful Vessels Illustrated 2:20-21**

2:20 Now in a large house there are not only gold and silver vessels, but also vessels of wood and of earthenware, and some to honor and some to dishonor.

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KEY TERMS

- 1. Quarrels - μάχη (mache)
conflicts (2Cor 5:7, Jas 4:1)
disputes (Tit 3:9)**

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WISE TACTICS

1. If you get angry you lose

If they get angry you lose

2. Never make a statement when a question will do

**3. Listen to understand,
not to respond**

4. Know when to walk away

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 - 1) Encmt. Against Quarreling 2:24**

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δουλος (doulos)

- **Lowest of Slaves**
- **Owned by Another**
- **No Standing**
- **Absolute Obedience**
- **Subservient to Master**



BOND-SERVANTS

✓ **Abraham**

✓ **Moses**

✓ **Joshua**

✓ **David**

✓ **Prophets**

✓ **Messiah**

✓ **Peter**

✓ **John**

✓ **James**

✓ **Jude**

✓ **Timothy**

✓ **Paul**

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- 2. Teach - παιδεύω (paideuo)**
literally = child training
instruct uninstructed,
correct erring,
& discipline undisciplined
in contrast to 2:23 (ignorant)

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ἀνεξίκακος (anezikakos) - only here
literally = ready to bear evil treatment
without resentment

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Let them do all the **work!**

- 1. “What do you mean by (that)?”**
- 2. “How did you come to that conclusion?”**
- 3. “Have you considered . . .?”**

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- 9. Spiritual War** **2:26**

PRINCIPLES

11. Prepare for inevitable suffering 2:11-13
12. Wisdom needed with false teachers 2:16-17
13. Properly handle obstacles within 2:14-18
14. Remember our Lord preserves His own 2:19
15. Stay ready for usefulness 2:20-26



**The goal is to
correct and
rescue out of
Satanic
traps!!!**