

Thriving as Evil Grows Worse, pt 1

1 Timothy 4:1-5

Best of times or worst of times

Problem 1: deceived by false messages (1)

A prophetic warning

What are the deceiving spirits of our day?

Problem 2: seared in conscience (1b-2)

The sources

Conscience

Seared

You can't thrive with a seared conscience

Problem 3: false spirituality (3)

2 prohibitions

Dualism: spirit is good, matter is evil

Marriage and munchies 21st Century-style

Problem 4: lost gratitude (4-5)

The trouble with false dualism

The reality: gratefully receiving God's creation

What do we do?

Wake up.

Discern up.

Gratitude up.