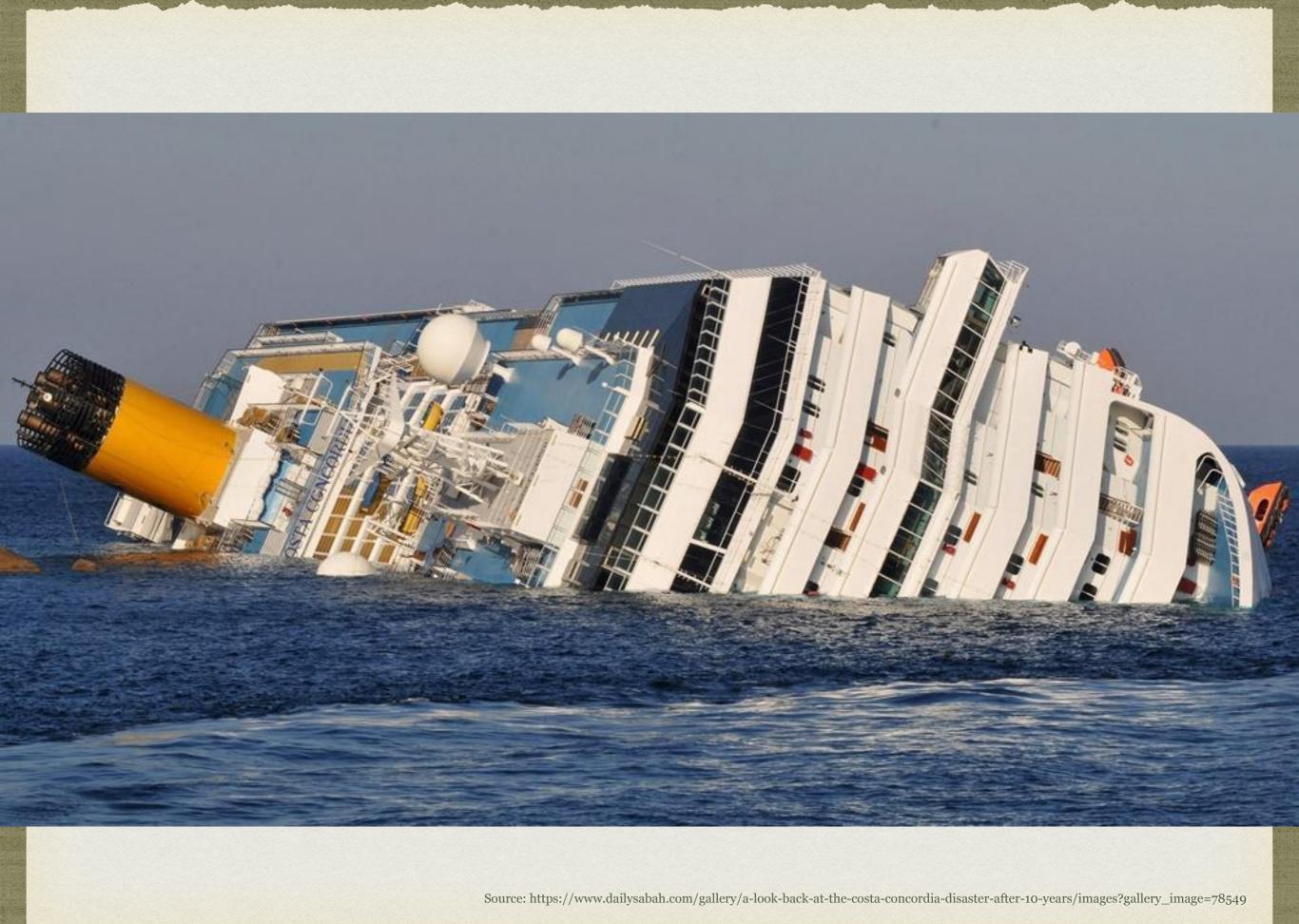
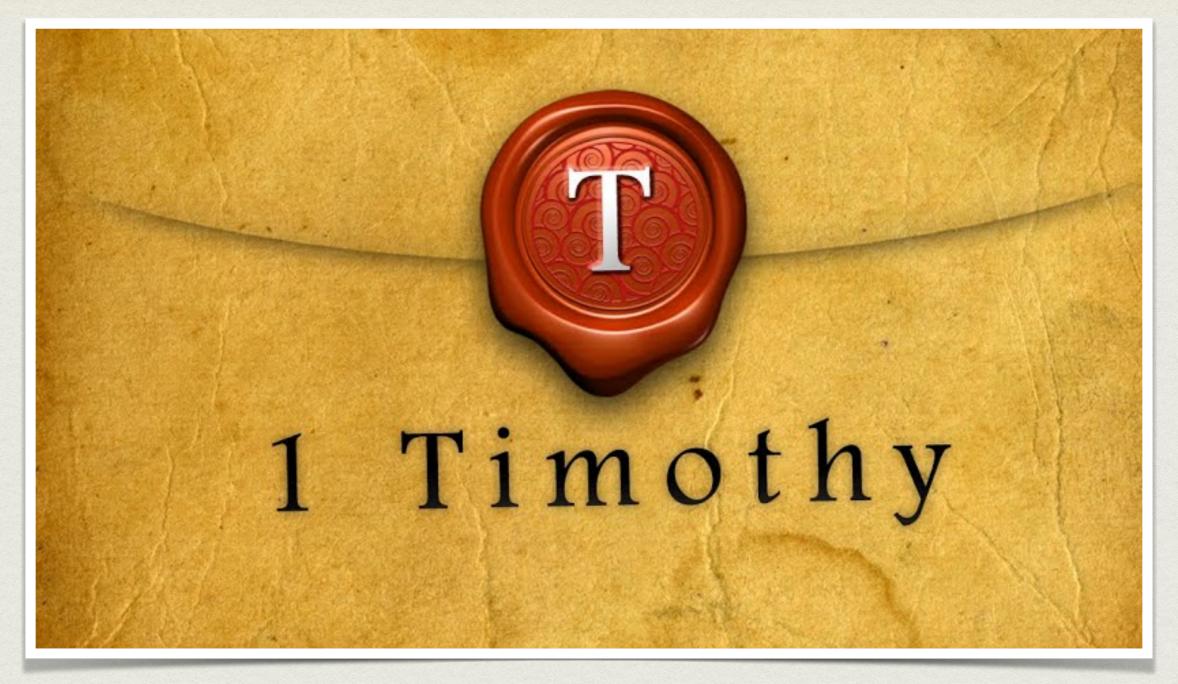


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"THE CHURCH OF GOD, THE MAN OF GOD" Avoiding Spiritual Shipwreck I Timothy 1:18-20

1. TAKE HEED OF YOURSELF (VERSES 18-19A)

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In a more specific way, the word "prophecies" can also just mean the Scripture itself (2 Peter 1:19-21)

Scriptural truths learned from the past are foundational for present and future life.

(Proverbs 22:6, Psalm 127, Deuteronomy 6:6-9)

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Good Conscience

(2 Corinthians 4:2)

Conscience is an internal judge examining all that I do and say.

The Scripture lists 5 types of consciences:

- 1. An evil conscience (Ephesians 4:18, Romans 1:18-30, 31-32)
- 2. A convicted conscience (Romans 2:15)
- 3. A purged (cleansed) conscience (Hebrews 9:14)
- 4. A pure/good conscience (1 Timothy 1:5, 1:19, I Peter 3:16)
- 5. A weak conscience (1 Corinthians 8:7, 10) A conscience void of offence (Acts 24:16)

2. TAKE HEED OF OTHERS (VERSE 20)

Take heed of those who rejected the faith and their good conscience.

"Rejected" can also be "put away" which "implies a violent and deliberate rejection.

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"Delivered to Satan" "implies an apostolic discipline (I Corinthians 5:5, 13) and disassociation from the local church." Another term used to denote this disciplinary action is "excommunication."

Conclusion

I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

Galatians 2:20