As I urged you when I was going to Macedonia, remain at Ephesus so that you may charge certain persons not to teach any different doctrine, 4 nor to devote themselves to myths and endless genealogies, which promote speculations rather than the stewardship from God that is by faith.

5 The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith. 6 Certain persons, by swerving from these, have wandered away into vain discussion, 7 desiring to be teachers of the law, without understanding either what they are saying or the things about which they make confident assertions.

8 Now we know that the law is good, if one uses it lawfully, 9 understanding this, that the law is not laid down for the just but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who strike their fathers and mothers, for murderers,

10 the sexually immoral, men who practice homosexuality, enslavers, liars, perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine, 11 in accordance with the gospel of the glory of the blessed God with which I have been entrusted.

[Jesus said,] "And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' 31 The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater Mark 12:30-31 (ESV) than these."

[Jesus said,] "By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." John 13:35 (ESV)

The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith 1 Timothy 1:5 (ESV)

Pure Heart

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, **5** he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness... Titus 3:4-6 (ESV)

The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith 1 Timothy 1:5 (ESV)

Pure Heart

...but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, **6** whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Titus 3:4-6 (ESV)

The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith 1 Timothy 1:5 (ESV)

- Pure Heart
- Good Conscience

So I always take pains to have a clear conscience toward both God and man.

Acts 24:16 (ESV)

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- Pure Heart
- Good Conscience
- Sincere Faith

In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.

James 2:17 (NIV)

Discerning

False Teachers/Doctrine

Mishandle God's Word

"The bricks have fallen, but we will build with dressed stones; the sycamores have been cut down, but we will put cedars in their place." Isaiah 9:10 (ESV)

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Discerning

False Teachers/Doctrine

- Mishandle God's Word
- Disrupt/Destroy
 Community/Controversies
- Seek Own Gain

These are grumblers, malcontents, following their own sinful desires; they are loud-mouthed boasters, showing favoritism to gain advantage.

Jude 1:16 (ESV)

Discerning

Godly Leaders

- Build Community in Christ
- Rightly Handles God's Word
- Demons trates a pure heart, good conscience, and sincere faith.