

STUDY 5

CONTINUE IN THE GOSPEL

2 Timothy 3:1-9

Have you ever had to write a reference for someone, or give a character reference at court for someone? What kind of things did you say?

Read 2 Timothy 3:1-9

1. *Jannes and Jambres were the names of the magicians who copied Moses' miracles before Pharaoh.*
2. Here is a list of unattractive attributes. Which ones are you surprised to read in this list?
3. Would Paul agree with those who believe that all people are basically good at heart?
4. Has Paul managed to describe our times with any amount of accuracy?
5. Has Paul unearthed anything confronting in you as you read through this list?
6. What might be the *difficulty* (v1) that comes from being a part of a world where these attributes are rife?
7. What is the warning of v5? How about v7?
8. How has the call to Gospel Grit been amplified by this passage today?