

Equipped For Ministry

The Pile Of Broken Tools

Scripture Reading: 2 Timothy 2:14-21

Introduction:

A. In the shop of a blacksmith, there are three types of tools.

1. There are tools on the _____.

2. There are tools on the _____.

3. There are tools of _____.

B. In the same way...

1. Some people lie useless.

2. Other people are lying on the anvil.

3. Other people lie in their Master's hands.

C. We are all somewhere in God's blacksmith shop.

I. The Pile Of Broken Tools

A. This is where two men, Hymenaeus and Philetus, found themselves (2 Tim. 2:16-18,20).

B. Life on the junkpile is epitomized by what we read in *Luke 22:39-47*.

II. The Example Of Judas

A. His relationship with the Master was not what it needed to be.

B. Some of Satan's best tools of destruction come from _____.

III. The Example Of Peter

A. He kept his distance from Jesus.

B. Some continue to make efforts at keeping "religion" in "its place."

IV. Why? Why Are People Content To Sit In The Corner As Useless Tools?

A. In one word, _____.

B. Do you find yourself in that junkpile?