

REJECTING VAIN RELIGION

2 Timothy 3:1-9

"Sanctify them
by the Truth.
Your Word is Truth"

I. Introduction

II. Vain religion is a constant danger. 2-5a

A. Vain religion means having the form without the power. 5a

B. The root problem of vain religion is misplaced affections. 2, 4

C. The manifestations of misdirected affections are many sins of character and conduct. 2-4

III. Vain religion always has those who propagate it. 6-8

A. They propagate vain religion by playing on felt needs. 6a

B. They propagate vain religion by enticing with various lusts. 6b

C. They propagate vain religion by playing on the desire for learning. 7

D. They propagate vain religion by opposing the truth with counterfeit results. 8

IV. We need to purposely avoid vain religion and the ones who propagate it. 1, 5

A. "...know this..." (or "realize")

B. "...from such people turn away!"

V. Vain religion will not finally triumph. 9

VI. Conclusion