

Music Appreciation?

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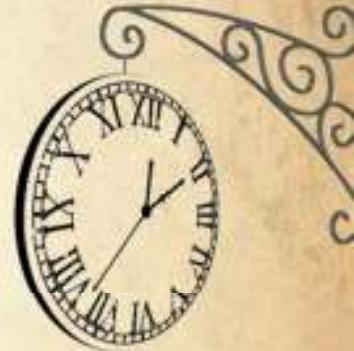


It's About Time!

Looking into Learning

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

Act 2:42-47




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Teaching is Important

How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

Romans 10:14-15

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**If nobody teaches, then nobody learns.
If nobody learns, then nobody believes.**

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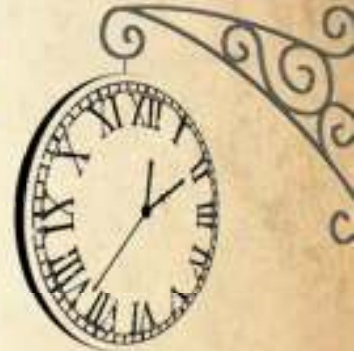


Teaching is Serious Business

Not many of you should become teachers, my fellow believers, because you know that we who teach will be judged more strictly. We all stumble in many ways. Anyone who is never at fault in what they say is perfect, able to keep their whole body in check.

James 3:1-2

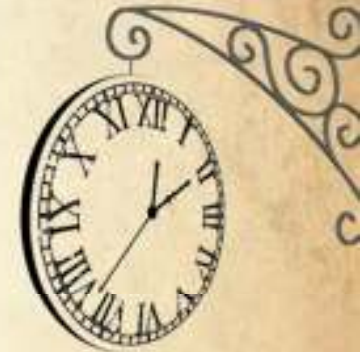
Thus, James was not telling to be teachers; he was telling them that what they say when they are not teaching is just as, if not more important, as what they say when they are.





What is Teaching?

Basic Teaching is just telling people what you have learned (2 Timothy 2:2)



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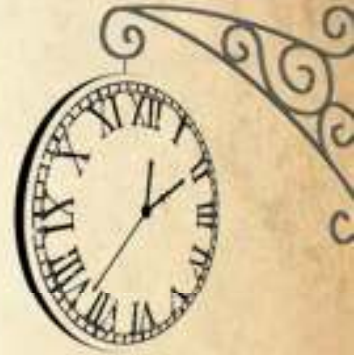
Do you know how you learn to play an instrument?





What did They Teach?

Remember there was no “Bible” as we know it.



When you see the word scripture in the New Testament it is always a reference to the Old Testament

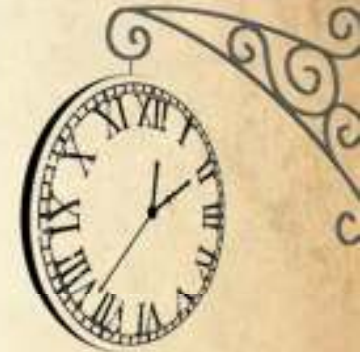
Even then they did not have easy access to written copies, thus they were working off memorization.





The "Teaching" List

They definitely taught Baptism and the Lord's Supper




Prayer seemed to be a big deal.

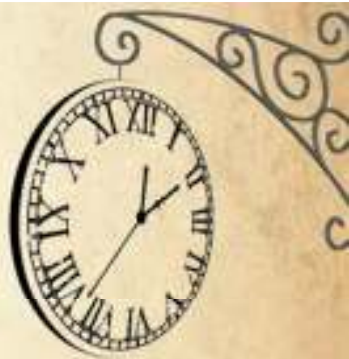
Absolutely they taught serving and a fellowship of believers plus the concept of unity and stewardship in the body.

Much of their teaching was probably around retelling stories that Jesus told and discussing them.



Connecting Jesus to prophecy about the Messiah





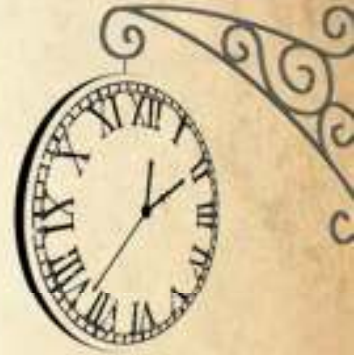
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As time has gone on, we have made this much more complicated



With every level of complexity more debate.

With every debate, more division.

With every division more doctrine must be taught that has nothing to do with what it means to follow Jesus.

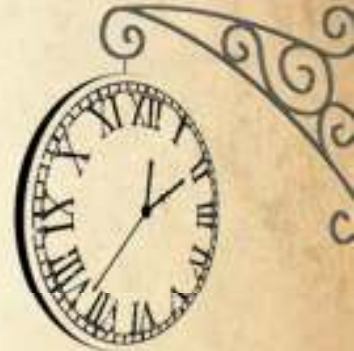
Until we are to the point people think they need a college degree to teach in a church.





Who was Teaching?

May I remind you amongst all the apostles there was not a “teacher” amongst them.




They were not scripture ignorant they had grown up Jewish with Jewish teaching

They were not untrained as they had spent three years with Jesus.

**But they were by no means
“Professional Super Hired Holy Men”**



**At least at the beginning these teachers were
Bi-Vocational**





Looking into Learning

The action is not teaching its learning.

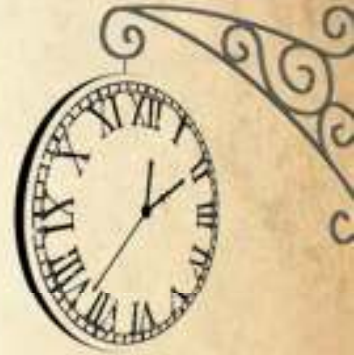
The verse starts out "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching."

That means they set their mind to learning.

What does it mean to learn?

The Four stages of learning

Learning 101



Unconscious Incompetence

In this stage, the learner isn't knowledgeable about the required skill set and information necessary for a role.

This is where we all start

We don't know what we don't know

All learning starts with ignorance (1 Timothy 1:13)

Even though I was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent man, I was shown mercy because I acted in ignorance and unbelief.



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Conscious Incompetence

During this stage, the learner becomes aware of the gap or deficit in their knowledge and skills. The individual wants to understand new information and learn skills.

The solution to ignorance is knowledge and information

For ignorance to be overcome there must be a curiosity and desire to learn (Proverbs 18:15)

***The heart of the discerning acquires knowledge,
for the ears of the wise seek it out.***



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Knowledge by itself is a dangerous thing (1 Corinthians 8:1)
Now about food sacrificed to idols: We know that “We all possess knowledge.” But knowledge puffs up while love builds up.

I believe many of us have a desire to learn but unfortunately all we are truly doing is acquiring information



Conscious Competence

This stage typically describes learners who possess an understanding of the necessary skills. These learners may be amateurs who have beginner level knowledge of the industry. They may require **instructions, tools, and helpful guides** to complete tasks. At this stage, **learners may practice** more and notice their improvement. Any **mistakes they make** serve as learning opportunities that **improve** their expertise.



James 1:22-25



Unconscious Competence

At this stage, the learner has achieved mastery of the skill. After consistent training, practice, and studying, the learner becomes an expert at the task. These learners may perform tasks without active concentration. They can also multitask. At this stage, learners may be responsible for training other individuals who are new to the industry.

Consistent Training -- somebody else teaching you.

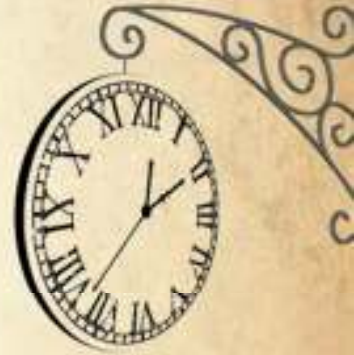
Practice -- You are doing what you are taught.

Studying -- You learn and reinforce on your own.



Unconscious Competence

They use the word expert, but that word does not mean perfect



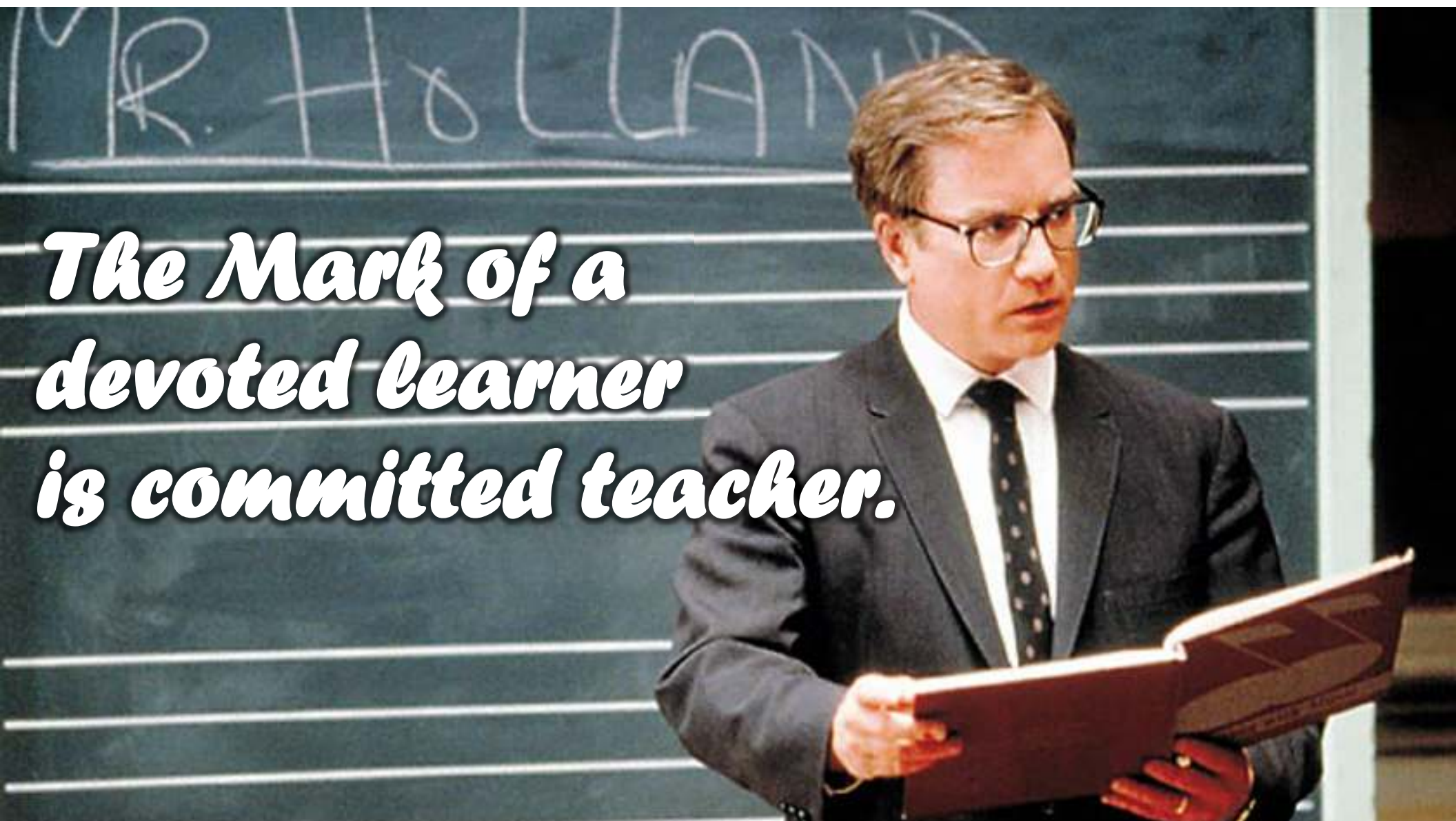
It means you do it without having to really think about it (Second Nature)

It means you can do it while living life (Multitasking)

It means you can teach it (Romans 15:14)

I myself am convinced, my brothers and sisters, that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with knowledge and competent to instruct one another.





The Mark of a devoted learner is committed teacher.