

Hold Fast

INTRO: Compare vs 12 and 13.

The picture: You first know _____, (vs 12) then _____. (vs 13)

Hold fast the FORM of sound words.

1. The command to keep doctrinal _____ is clear.

- “Hold fast” = *to have and to hold strongly, surely, securely. To have continued possession. “get a grip!”*
- “the form” = *the pattern, the sketch, the outline, the blueprint.*
- “sound words” = *healthy words, wholesome words.*
- *How can we obey the directive of vs 12? Titus 1:9; 2 Timothy 2:2*

FIRST: You cannot hold fast the Word until you are **first** _____ the Word.

Proverbs 4:4–5

You must be a _____ before you can become a _____.

Ephesians 4:11–12

If you aren’t interested in studying God’s Word, you won’t live the life that God has called you to. You won’t amount to much in Christian service to Him.

KEY: You can only _____ what you _____. **Colossians 2:6–8**

Get accountable to learn and grow in God’s Word.

How this works at MBT:

2. The danger of _____ is real.

How do you keep from falling away from the faith and love which is in Christ Jesus?

2 Timothy 3:14

- The real temptation that many believers are surrendering to = “*Go along to get along.*”

Why? People don’t want to offend anyone. As a result, they end up offending God!

Compare vs 15.

The picture? _____

- Jesus warns us of the results of that infidelity! **Revelation 3:11**
- **KEY:** You must **HOLD fast** the **form** of sound words. **Revelation 2:25**

FIRST: There is a doctrinal set, but then there is the _____ in which they are delivered! **Proverbs 22:20–21; Psalm 12:6–7**

We believe that God has delivered on those promises in our Authorized Version.

KEY: God said that he would preserve His Word. **Psalm 119:160, 144, 152; Matthew 5:18**

*The KJV comes from the right Text, the right Translators, the right Technique and the right Theology.*⁴

⁴ [Four-Fold Superiority of The KJV | PDF | Septuagint | King James Version \(scribd.com\)](#)

SECOND: A brief summary of the doctrinal set that we teach here at MBT. Because we interpret Scripture through a grammatical / literal approach (*words say what they mean and mean what they say*) **versus** an allegorical approach (*words mean what we want them to mean*) we take a DISPENSATIONAL view of the Bible.

Implications:

Check out our church's "Statement of Faith."⁵

That's what we will teach, and if you are teaching here, it's what you will teach as well. **Titus 2:1**

- **Tremble!** It is a serious thing to teach error. **Mark 9:42**

3. The way to keep doctrinal _____ is plain.

- "in faith" - So study to show yourself approved unto God. **2:15**

Know _____ you believe and _____ you believe it. **Romans 14:23**

- "in love" – So let the love of Christ constrain you! **2 Cor 2:14.**

⁵ <https://mbtkc.org/beliefs>