## Standing Firm in The Truth Titus 2:15

The word of God should be communicated with confidence and authority, denying neutrality and overcoming diffidence.

- 1. The command to preach authoritatively
  - a. Assuming command, not making suggestions.
  - b. Refusing to concede to opposition
  - c. Applies to the preacher, the hearer, and everyone else.
- 2. The content of authoritative preaching
  - a. "These things" = The authority is dependent upon specific content
  - b. "These things" = vs 2- 14 Basic foundations for the Christian life
  - c. "These things" = Everything else that is fitting for sound doctrine
- 3. The manner of authoritative preaching
  - a. Continue talking about these things
  - b. Persist in exhortations
  - c. Relentlessly reproving
- 4. The domain of authoritative preaching
  - a. Within the church (Titus 2:15)
  - b. In the civil sphere & public arena (Acts 5:20-41-42)
  - c. Among the nations (Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 17:30-31)