

Hymenaeus teaches a new Christian

Hymenaeus: Good evening, new Christian. I'm glad to hear that you believe that Jesus was the long awaited Messiah.

New Christian: Yes, it's wonderful. My life is completely changed.

Hymenaeus: Oh, what do you do differently now?

New Christian: For now, it's more what I have stopped doing. As I learn more from Paul and Timothy, I'm sure I will be doing things I do not now do.

Hymenaeus: Well, I've noticed that you no longer lose your temper with some of your friends. Is this a result of your faith in Christ?

New Christian: Oh yes. That is only one of many things. Brother Timothy teaches we are to be slow to anger and to love others as our self.

Hymenaeus: That sounds very good. But surely you are still going to come to the Friday night football game and curse the other team? You remember how much fun it is to get them upset and screaming back at us. The names we call them are very funny.

New Christian: Oh, I'll be at the game, but not to curse the other team members. That would not be showing the love of our Lord Jesus.

Hymenaeus: Then you will not join the gang and throw eggs at the team bus as they leave either, I suppose?

New Christian: My dear Hymenaeus, they may be our football enemies, but they could also be our brothers in Christ. No, I'll show love and respect to them.

Hymenaeus: But what about all the girls. Surely, you will join us in some fun with them? I've heard they wear really short skirts and are pretty wild!

New Christian: If they are wild, then we must help them to see the way of Christ and turn from there wild ways!

Hymenaeus: Why on earth would we do that? This is our time to really enjoy ourselves. We may even get some pot from them. This will be a great night.

New Christian: But Paul said we should turn away from physical iniquities and pleasure.

Hymenaeus: Oh, there you go quoting that Paul, the so called Apostle. What difference does it make if we indulge our bodies? You know they are just evil and will not go to Heaven anyway. Only our spirits will go to Heaven and that is assured by Christ's sacrifice. We don't need to change our physical activities at all to be Christians. So come on, let's go have some fun. The guys are waiting for us. You don't want them to think you're a chicken, do you?

(Both leave the stage and head for the game.)