

1	Must not quarrel
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MUST NOT QUARREL

2 Timothy 2:23-26 Have nothing to do with foolish, ignorant controversies; you know that they breed quarrels. And **the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome** but kind to everyone, able to teach, patiently enduring evil, correcting his opponents with gentleness. God may perhaps grant them repentance leading to a knowledge of the truth, and they may come to their senses and escape from the snare of the devil, **after being captured by him to do his will.**

- *kind*
- *teacher*
- *patient*
- *able to endure evil*
- *gentle in correction*

JESUS DID NOT QUARREL

Matthew 21:23-27 And when he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came up to him as he was teaching, and said, **"By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?"** Jesus answered them, "I also will ask you one question, and if you tell me the answer, then I also will tell you by what authority I do these things. **The baptism of John, from where did it come? From heaven or from man?"** And they discussed it among themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then

did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'From man,' we are afraid of the crowd, for they all hold that John was a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.

This week we saw the tip of the iceberg in God answering prayer. We have a new speaker in the House of Representatives. His name is Mike Johnson. He was asked about his world view. His answer was READ THE BIBLE. He has been influenced greatly by David Barton. David is a living historical authority on the constitution and formation of our government going all the way back to when the pilgrims settled in a new land.

I like Mike Johnson because he did not quarrel. He just referenced higher authority.