



I & II  
Timothy

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# Paul Warns About False Teaching

## I Timothy 1:1-4

### **The Introduction to the Book**

this letter was written by Paul - verse 1

this letter was received by Timothy - verse 2

### **The Reason Paul left Timothy in Ephesus**

to charge them to teach no other doctrine - verse 3

to charge them not to pay attention to fables - verse 4

to charge them to avoid endless genealogies - verse 4

### **Three Things Which Tear Down Faith**

#### **The danger of other doctrines**

##### **I Timothy 6:3-6**

If anyone teaches otherwise and does not consent to wholesome words, *even* the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which accords with godliness, <sup>4</sup> he is proud, knowing nothing, but is obsessed with disputes and arguments over words, from which come envy, strife, reviling, evil suspicions, <sup>5</sup> useless wranglings of men of corrupt minds and destitute of the truth, who suppose that godliness is a *means of* gain. From such withdraw yourself. <sup>6</sup> Now godliness with contentment is great gain. (NKJV)

#### **The danger of fables**

##### **II Timothy 4:3-4**

For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, *because* they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; <sup>4</sup> and they will turn *their* ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables. (NKJV)

#### **The danger of endless genealogies**

##### **Titus 3:9**

But avoid foolish disputes, genealogies, contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and useless. (NKJV)

### **Things Which Build Up The Faith**

#### **II Timothy 2:22-26**

Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart. <sup>23</sup> But avoid foolish and ignorant disputes, knowing that they generate strife. <sup>24</sup> And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient, <sup>25</sup> in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth, <sup>26</sup> and *that* they may come to their senses *and escape* the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to *do* his will. (NKJV)

# The Purpose of the Commandment

## I Timothy 1:5-7

godly teaching develops proper inner attitudes - verse 5  
godly teaching when rejected leads to empty discussion - verse 6  
godly teaching when rejected leads to confusion - verse 7

### The Fulfillment of the Law

#### Galatians 5:13-14

For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not *use* liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. <sup>14</sup>For all the law is fulfilled in one word, *even* in this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (NKJV)

### The Purpose of the Law is Love

#### Love from a pure heart

##### Psalm 51:10

Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a steadfast spirit within me. (NKJV)

#### Love from a good conscience

##### Hebrews 9:14

How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? (NKJV)

#### Love from a sincere faith

##### Hebrew 11:6

But without faith *it is* impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and *that* He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him. (NKJV)

### Characteristics of Teachers Lacking Healthy Love

**They have strayed away from the truth**  
**They have turned to idle talk**  
**They take pleasure in teaching the law**  
**They do not understand what they say**  
**They speak with great confidence**

# The Law Fulfills It's Purpose

## I Timothy 1:8-11

- the law has a good purpose - verse 8
- the law shows the rebellion of man - verse 9
- the law shows what is contrary to sound teaching - verse 10
- the law opens the door to share the Gospel - verse 11

### The Law Has a Good Purpose

#### Galatians 3:24-25

<sup>24</sup> Therefore the law was our tutor *to bring us* to Christ, that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup> But after faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor. (NKJV)

### The Law Shows Different Ways Men Break the Commandments

#### The Ten Commandments

##### Exodus 20:1-17

- I. No other gods before me
- II. No carved images
- III. Not take the name of the Lord in vain
- IV. Sabbath day
- V. Honor your father and mother
- VI. You shall not kill
- VII. You shall not commit adultery
- VIII. You shall not steal
- IX. You shall not bear false witness
- X. You shall not covet

#### The Ways Men Break the Law

##### I Timothy 1:9-10

- 1. the lawless and the insubordinate
- 2. the ungodly and the sinners
- 3. the unholy and profane
- 4. not mentioned
- 5. murderers of fathers and mothers
- 6. manslayers
- 7. fornicators and sodomites
- 8. kidnappers
- 9. liars and perjurers
- 10. any other thing contrary to sound doctrine

### The Law Shows the Need for the Glorious Gospel

#### 2 Corinthians 3:7-12

<sup>7</sup> But if the ministry of death, written *and* engraved on stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not look steadily at the face of Moses because of the glory of his countenance, which *glory* was passing away, <sup>8</sup> how will the ministry of the Spirit not be more glorious? <sup>9</sup> For if the ministry of condemnation *had* glory, the ministry of righteousness exceeds much more in glory. <sup>10</sup> For even what was made glorious had no glory in this respect, because of the glory that excels. <sup>11</sup> For if what is passing away *was* glorious, what remains *is* much more glorious. <sup>12</sup> Therefore, since we have such hope, we use great boldness of speech -- (NKJV)

# The Lord Showed His Grace to Paul

## I Timothy 1:12-17

Christ came to show His grace - verse 12-14

Christ came to save sinners - verse 15

Christ came to show mercy - verse 16

Christ now deserves all glory - verse 17

### Christ Showed His Grace to Paul

**Paul was called to serve the Lord**

**Paul was called while he was persecuting the church**

Called while he was a blasphemer - one who was abusive and spoke evil

Called while he was a persecutor - one who was persecuting Christians

Called while he was an insolent man - a proud man who heaps shameful insults  
and does evil acts to others

**Paul was called because of the grace of God**

### Christ Came to Save Sinners

**Paul said that he was the chief or greatest of sinners**

**Matthew 9:13**

"But go and learn what *this* means: 'I desire mercy and not sacrifice.' For I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance." (NKJV)

### Christ Came to Show Mercy

**II Corinthians 4:1**

Therefore, since we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we do not lose heart. (NKJV)

### Christ Now Deserves All Glory

**Revelation 5:9-13**

<sup>9</sup> And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; For You were slain, And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, <sup>10</sup> And have made us kings and priests to our God; And we shall reign on the earth." <sup>11</sup> Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands, <sup>12</sup> saying with a loud voice: "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain To receive power and riches and wisdom, And strength and honor and glory and blessing!" <sup>13</sup> And every creature which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard saying: "Blessing and honor and glory and power *Be* to Him who sits on the throne, And to the Lamb, forever and ever!" (NKJV)

# A Personal Charge to Timothy

## I Timothy 1:18-20

Timothy was charged to fight the good fight - verse 18

Timothy was charged to hold to the faith - verse 19

Timothy was charged to observe the results of turning from the faith - verse 20

### Timothy was charged to fight the good fight

**This charge was based on previous prophecies**

#### I Timothy 4:14

Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the eldership. (NKJV)

#### II Timothy 1:6

Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands. (NKJV)

#### I Timothy 4:5

But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry. (NKJV)

#### II Timothy 2:2

And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. (NKJV)

**This charge was to wage the good warfare**

#### II Timothy 2:3-5

<sup>3</sup> You therefore must endure hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup> No one engaged in warfare entangles himself with the affairs of *this* life, that he may please him who enlisted him as a soldier. <sup>5</sup> And also if anyone competes in athletics, he is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. (NKJV)

**This charge required two things to fulfill it**

#### faith

#### I Timothy 1:5

Now the purpose of the commandment is love from a pure heart, *from* a good conscience, and *from* sincere faith, (NKJV)

#### II Timothy 1:5

When I call to remembrance the genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also. (NKJV)

#### a good conscience

#### I Peter 3:15-16

<sup>15</sup> But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always *be* ready to *give* a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear; <sup>16</sup> having a good conscience, that when they defame you as evildoers, those who revile your good conduct in Christ may be ashamed. (NKJV)

# Worship of God Through Prayer

## I Timothy 2:1-4

### Prayer is pleasing to God

understanding the various kinds of prayer - verse 1  
pleasing prayer includes praying for our leaders - verse 2  
pleasing prayer is acceptable to God - verse 3  
pleasing prayer is related to salvation - verse 4

### Prayer is submitting our will to the desire of God

#### Understanding the various kinds of prayer

supplications - prayer focused on personal needs  
prayers - formal prayer addressed to God especially in a group  
intercessions - prayers focused on the needs of others  
giving of thanks - prayers which are focused on thanks to God

#### Understanding the reasons to pray for all in authority

that we may lead a quiet life  
that we may lead a peaceable life  
that we may lead a life of godliness  
that we may lead a life of reverence

#### Understanding the attitude of God toward our prayer

prayer is good, right, honorable and noble  
prayer is acceptable, pleasing and welcome

### Prayer is the result of understanding the desire of God

#### God desires all people to be saved

##### II Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slack concerning *His* promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. (NKJV)

#### God desires all people to come to the knowledge of the truth (a full understanding of the truth)

##### II Timothy 2:24-26

<sup>24</sup> And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient, <sup>25</sup> in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth, <sup>26</sup> and *that* they may come to their senses *and escape* the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to *do* his will. (NKJV)

# Prayer is Through our Mediator

## I Timothy 2:5-8

Christ is our Mediator - verse 5

Christ is the One who gave Himself for all - verse 6

Christ is the One we are to preach - verse 7

Christ is pleased when we pray with the right attitude - verse 8

**Christ is our only Mediator**  
**I Timothy 2:5**

**Christ gave Himself a ransom for all**  
**I Timothy 2:6**

### **The Three Ministries to Which Paul had been Appointed**

#### **A Preacher**

a messenger or ambassador who has been given official authority to speak for another

#### **II Corinthians 5:20**

Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore *you* on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God. (NKJV)

#### **An Apostle**

one sent forth with orders to be a witness of the resurrection

#### **Acts 1:21-22**

<sup>21</sup> "Therefore, of these men who have accompanied us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, <sup>22</sup> "beginning from the baptism of John to that day when He was taken up from us, one of these must become a witness with us of His resurrection." (NKJV)

#### **A Teacher of the Gentiles**

one who teaches the Word of God and equips others to teach the Word of God

#### **Ephesians 4:11-12**

<sup>11</sup> And He Himself gave some *to be* apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup> for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, (NKJV)

### **Characteristics God Wants in Praying People**

praying everywhere - people who pray at all times and in all places

praying with holy hands - people who have confessed all sins

praying without wrath and doubting - people who have proper inner attitudes

# Women are to have a Ministry of Good Works

## I Timothy 2:9-10

this includes a ministry of modesty - verse 9  
this includes a ministry of good works - verse 10

### Godly Women Focus on Inner Character Rather Than Outward Show

#### Things They Emphasize

##### Modest Apparel

clothing which does not focus attention on the physical body

##### Godly Fear

inner attitudes which cause us to serve God acceptably and with godly fear

##### Self-Control

inner attitudes which emphasize soundness of mind and self-control

#### Things They Avoid

##### Extreme Hair Styles

##### Expensive Jewelry

##### Expensive Clothing

##### I Peter 3:3-4

<sup>3</sup> Do not let your adornment be *merely* outward -- arranging the hair, wearing gold, or putting on *fine* apparel -- <sup>4</sup> rather *let it be* the hidden person of the heart, with the incorruptible *beauty* of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in the sight of God. (NKJV)

### Godly Women Focus on Godliness and Good Works

#### Godliness

reverence toward God's goodness

##### I Timothy 4:7-8

<sup>7</sup> But reject profane and old wives' fables, and exercise yourself toward godliness. <sup>8</sup> For bodily exercise profits a little, but godliness is profitable for all things, having promise of the life that now is and of that which is to come. (NKJV)

##### I Timothy 6:6-8

<sup>6</sup> Now godliness with contentment is great gain. <sup>7</sup> For we brought nothing into *this* world, *and it is* certain we can carry nothing out. <sup>8</sup> And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content. (NKJV)

#### Good Works

works that are good, useful and upright

##### I Timothy 6:17-18

<sup>17</sup> Command those who are rich in this present age not to be haughty, nor to trust in uncertain riches but in the living God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy. <sup>18</sup> *Let them* do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to give, willing to share, (NKJV)

##### Hebrews 10:24-25

<sup>24</sup> And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, <sup>25</sup> not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as *is* the manner of some, but exhorting *one another*, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching. (NKJV)

# Godly Women Have a Ministry of Submission

## I Timothy 2:11-15

- submission includes receiving instruction - verse 11
- submission includes submitting to male leadership - verse 12
- submission includes recognizing the order of creation - verse 13
- submission includes recognizing the order of deception - verse 14
- submission includes a promise of reward - verse 15

### **Submission is a Choice to Place Yourself Under Another**

- submission is a voluntary act of placing yourself under the leadership of another
- submission causes a person to have a learner's attitude
- submission was originally demonstrated by Christ

#### **I Corinthians 11:3**

But I want you to know that the head of every man is Christ, the head of woman *is* man, and the head of Christ *is* God. (NKJV)

### **Submission includes Recognizing Male Leadership**

- submission does not exercise independent authority

#### **Ephesians 5:22-24**

<sup>22</sup> Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. <sup>23</sup> For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body. <sup>24</sup> Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so *let* the wives *be* to their own husbands in everything. (NKJV)

### **Submission includes Recognizing the Order of Creation**

#### **Genesis 2:18**

And the LORD God said, "*It is* not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him." (NKJV)

### **Submission includes Recognizing the Order of Deception**

#### **Genesis 3:6**

So when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, that it *was* pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make *one* wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate. (NKJV)

### **Submission includes a Promise of Reward**

#### **Titus 2:11-13**

<sup>11</sup> For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, <sup>12</sup> teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, <sup>13</sup> looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, (NKJV)

# An Elder is a Man of Godly Character

## I Timothy 3:1-3

a man must have a desire for spiritual leadership - verse 1

a man must be above reproach - verse 2

a man must avoid certain things - verse 3

### What Are Elders?

#### **A Man Must Have a Desire for Spiritual Leadership**

desire - to stretch one's self out to reach or grasp something

(speaks of one who has a real desire to develop godly character for spiritual leadership)

#### **Three words are used interchangeably for spiritual leadership**

**bishop** - one who exercises the work of oversight

**elder** - one with mature spiritual experience and understanding

**overseer** - one who looks after, cares for and oversees

#### **In the New Testament, there were to be elders in every church**

Acts 14:23, Philippians 1:1, Titus 1:5, James 5:14

### What Kind of Character is Required?

#### **Character Qualities**

blameless - one who is not open to censure

the husband of one wife - a man who is faithful to his wife in thought and action

temperate - one who avoids wine, alcohol or drugs

sober-minded - one who controls his desires and impulses

of good behavior - one who has a well arranged or modest life

given to hospitality - one who makes people feel accepted and at home

able to teach - skillful in teaching

gentle - one who is patient, kind and gentle

### What Kinds of Things are Avoided?

not given to wine - not one who becomes drunk

not violent - not a person who is quicktempered which would cause him to strike another

not greedy for money - not greedy for evil gain

not quarrelsome - not one who is fighting or insisting on his own way or rights

not covetous - not covetous or a lover of money

# An Elder Leads His Family

## I Timothy 3:4-5

an elder must manage his own family well - verse 4  
 an elder will manage the church as he manages his family - verse 5

### Spiritual Leadership in the Home

to rule over - to be over, to care for and to protect  
 to rule well - one who gives others an example of how to lead the family  
 to rule a house - to be the spiritual leader of the entire family  
 to have his children in subjection - an example which gives his children a desire to  
 submit to his spiritual leadership  
 with all reverence - a person who earns respect because of his own example

#### Joshua 24:15

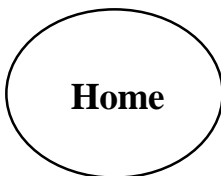
"And if it seems evil to you to serve the LORD, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served that *were* on the other side of the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD." (NKJV)

### Spiritual Leadership in the Church

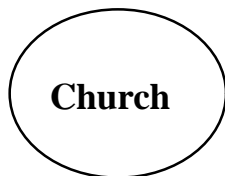
the home is the place where we develop effective leadership  
 a person who does not lead effectively in the home will not lead effectively in the church

#### Titus 1:5-6

<sup>5</sup> For this reason I left you in Crete, that you should set in order the things that are lacking, and appoint elders in every city as I commanded you -- <sup>6</sup> if a man is blameless, the husband of one wife, having faithful children not accused of dissipation or insubordination. (NKJV)

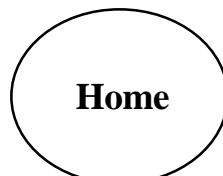


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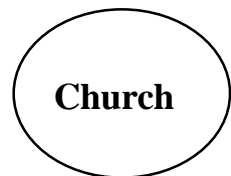


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# An Elder Must Earn Respect

## I Timothy 3:6-7

this respect must be based on spiritual maturity - verse 6  
 this respect must be earned among non-Christians - verse 7

### Spiritual Maturity Takes Time to Develop

not a novice - not a new Christian  
**the dangers of placing a new Christian in a place of spiritual leadership**  
 he may become lifted up with pride  
 he may fall into the same condemnation as the devil

#### Hebrews 5:12-14

<sup>12</sup>For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need *someone* to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food. <sup>13</sup>For everyone who partakes *only* of milk *is* unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe. <sup>14</sup>But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, *that is*, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil. (NKJV)

### Spiritual Maturity Must be Demonstrated in the World

a spiritual leader must be respected by those who are not Christians  
 a good report keeps him from falling into disgrace  
 a good report keep him from falling into the snare of the devil

#### Acts 6:3

"Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of *good* reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business; (NKJV)

#### III John 12

Demetrius has a *good* testimony from all, and from the truth itself. And we also bear witness, and you know that our testimony is true. (NKJV)

### Spiritual Development

<b>Newborn Babe</b> I Peter 2:2	<b>Toddler</b> Hebrews 5:11-14	<b>Child</b> I John 2:12-14	<b>Young Man</b> I John 2:12-14	<b>Parent</b> I John 2:12-14
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# A Deacon is a Spiritual Man

## I Timothy 3:8-13

a deacon must be a man of godly character - verses 8-9

he avoids certain things - verse 8

he is committed to a true faith -verse 9

a deacon must be above reproach - verse 10

a deacon must have a godly wife - verse 11

a deacon must be a leader in his home - verse 12

a deacon can look forward to a reward - verse 13

### **Characteristics of a deacon**

reverent - he must have a honorable character

not double-tongued - one who says different things to different people

not given to much wine - not to be addicted to wine

not greedy for money - not greedy for evil gain

holding the mystery of faith with a pure conscience- a faith demonstrated by godly living

tested - time allowed for examination of life

blameless - unaccused or above reproof

### **Characteristics of the wife of a deacon**

reverent - she must be of honorable character

not slanderers - not one who accuses people falsely

sober - one who avoids wine, alcohol or drugs

faithful in all things - one who can be trusted and relied upon

### **Characteristics in the family of a deacon**

a deacon is to be a one woman man who is faithful to his wife

a deacon is to be the spiritual leader of his children

a deacon is to be the spiritual leader of his household

### **Rewards for a deacon**

they are respected for the way they serve

they earn a wholesome respect for their godly leadership

they receive great boldness in sharing the faith

# Paul's Concern for Timothy

## I Timothy 3:14-16

Paul had a great desire to see Timothy - verse 14

Paul had a concern to help Timothy develop his spiritual leadership - verse 15

Paul had a great desire for godliness - verse 16

### Two ways Paul was working to develop the spiritual leadership of Timothy

Through Letters

Through Personal Visits

### The Conduct of Timothy in the Church

this letter was written to help Timothy know how to conduct himself in the house of God

the house of God is the church of the living God

the church is the foundation that supports the truth of the Word of God

since Christians are the church, we need to know how to conduct ourselves

### I Corinthians 6:19-20

<sup>19</sup>Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit *who is* in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? <sup>20</sup>For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's. (NKJV)

### <sup>1</sup>Christ is the Source of Our Devotion (the mystery of godliness)

#### Christ was revealed in the flesh

Christ is here called God - John 1:14

#### Christ was shown to be righteous by the Spirit

Christ was raised from the dead by the power of the Spirit - Romans 8:11

#### Christ was seen by angels

Christ was clearly seen by angels after the resurrection - Luke 24:4-7

#### Christ was preached among the Gentiles

Christ gave the commission to "Make Disciples" of all nations - Matthew 28:19-20

#### Christ was believed on in the world

Christ is to be worshipped by people from every tribe - Revelation 5:9

#### Christ was received up into heaven

Christ is presently seated at the right hand of God - Romans 8:34

# The Description of False Teachers

## I Timothy 4:1-5

false teachers pay attention to demons - verse 1  
false teachers have a seared conscience - verse 2  
false teachers have wrong views - verses 3-5

### **False teachers are deceived by demons**

**The Spirit warned that some would depart from the faith**

**Acts 20:29-30**

<sup>29</sup> "For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. <sup>30</sup> "Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves. (NKJV)

**The reasons why some depart from the faith**

they pay attention to deceiving spirits - false thinking  
they pay attention to doctrines of demons - false teaching

### **False teachers have a seared conscience**

they speak lies and put on an act  
their consciences are so branded by sin that sin no longer bothers them

### **False teachers have wrong views and teachings**

**they hinder and prevent people from getting married**

**they prevent people from eating certain foods**

God has created food to be received with thanksgiving  
thanksgiving is practiced by those who believe  
thanksgiving is practiced by those who know the truth

God said that every creature is good

God said that nothing needs to be refused

all things are to be received with thanksgiving  
all things are to be sanctified by the Word of God  
all things are to be sanctified by prayer

# The Defense Against False Teachers

## I Timothy 4:6-10

we are to continually feed on the Word of God - verse 6  
we are to avoid worldly fables - verse 7  
we are to pursue godliness - verse 8  
we are to remember that the Word is trustworthy - verse 9  
we are to keep our hope fixed on the living God - verse 10

### **A godly leader is called to be:**

one who teaches other Christians what he has learned  
one who is a good servant who carries out the commands of Christ  
one who continues to learn about the faith  
one who continues to learn sound doctrine  
one who practices what he teaches

### **A godly leaders sets an example:**

he rejects stories that men make up  
he rejects the gossip of old women  
he provides an example of godly living

### **A godly leader understands what is most important:**

physical exercise produces a little benefit  
godliness is beneficial for all things

### **A godly leader remembers that the Word is trustworthy:**

the Word of God is dependable  
the Word of God can be accepted in all things

### **A godly leader keeps his hope fixed on God:**

Paul was working hard for Christ  
Paul was bearing lies being spoken about him  
Paul had his trust in the living God  
Paul recognized that Christ is the Saviour of all men  
Paul recognized that Christ is a special Saviour to believers

# A Godly Teacher Described - Part I

## I Timothy 4:11-13

- a godly teacher teaches the Word of God - verse 11
- a godly teacher provides an example - verse 12
- a godly teacher reads the Scripture publicly - verse 13

### A Godly Teacher Teaches the Word of God

this includes giving the commandments of God  
this includes explaining those commandments

### A Godly Teacher Provides an Example

Six ways a godly leader provides an example

1. a godly leader provides an example by his words  
(God wants us to speak the things which are proper for sound doctrine - Titus 2:1)
2. a godly leader provides an example by his conduct  
(God wants us to be an example in our actions - II Timothy 2:22)
3. a godly leader provides an example by his love  
God commands us to love one another - John 13:34-35)
4. a godly leader provides an example by his spirit  
(God looks for a gentle and quiet spirit - I Peter 3:4)
5. a godly leader provides an example by his faith  
(God wants us to model faith and character - II Peter 1:5-8)
6. a godly leader provides an example by his purity  
(God wants us to show purity in our relations with others - I Timothy 5:1-2)

### A Godly Teacher has a Balanced Ministry

That ministry includes the public reading of Scripture  
(public reading of Scripture in services and Bible studies is very important)

That ministry includes exhortation  
(to come alongside and encourage toward a certain plan of action)

That ministry includes teaching  
(to give formal instruction and teaching)

# A Godly Teacher Described - Part II

## I Timothy 4:14-16

a godly teacher exercises his spiritual gifts - verse 14  
a godly teacher has goals for continued progress - verse 15  
a godly teacher regularly examines his progress - verse 16

### A Godly Teacher Exercises His Spiritual Gifts

#### **Spiritual Leaders have Various Gifts**

##### **Ephesians 4:11-13**

<sup>11</sup> And He Himself gave some *to be* apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup> for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup> till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; (NKJV)

apostles and prophets are the foundation of the church - Ephesians 2:20  
evangelists, pastors and teachers are to equip the saints - Ephesians 4:11-13

#### **Spiritual Gifts are Recognized through the Word**

key passages on spiritual gifts

Romans 12:6-8, I Corinthians 12:1-14:40, Ephesians 4:11-13, I Peter 4:7-11

#### **Spiritual Gifts are Recognized by Other Leaders**

### A Godly Teacher has Goals for Continued Progress

Spiritual leaders meditate on the things they have learned  
Spiritual leaders devote themselves to carrying out those things  
Spiritual leaders are making progress because they know where they are going

### A Godly Teacher Regularly Examines His Progress

This includes examination of himself  
This includes examination of his teaching  
This includes keeping focused on his goals

Such examination will save himself  
Such examination will save others

# Treating Others With Respect

## I Timothy 5:1-2

our responsibilities toward older and younger men - verse 1  
 our responsibilities toward older and younger women - verse 2

<b>Rebuke or Exhort</b>	
<b>Rebuke</b>	<b>Exhort</b>
<p>The word that is translated rebuke in this verse is used in only this passage in the New Testament. It means to strike at with words.</p>	<p>The word that is translated exhort in this verse is used 109 times in the New Testament. It means to come alongside to encourage and strengthen.</p>
<p>We will be effective spiritual leaders who made an impact on the lives of others as we learns to come alongside others and encourage and strengthen them rather than scolding them. Proverbs 15:13, Proverbs 17:22 and Proverbs 18:14 talk about the wounded or broken spirit and one of the primary ways a spirit is wounded is by using words to strike or wound the person. Galatians 5:15 says this is the way we destroy each other.</p>	

### **Our relationships with other Christians**

Older men are to be treated like fathers that we respect and encourage.  
 Younger men are to be treated like brothers that we respect and encourage.  
 Older women are to be treated like mothers that we respect and encourage.  
 Younger women are to be treated like sisters that we respect and encourage.

**All of these relationships are to be based on purity.**

**I Thessalonians 5:22**

Abstain from every form of evil. (NKJV)

**II Timothy 2:20-22**

<sup>20</sup> But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay, some for honor and some for dishonor. <sup>21</sup> Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from the latter, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work. <sup>22</sup> Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart. (NKJV)

# Respecting Widows in Our Family

## I Timothy 5:3-8

the description of various types of widows - verses 3-4  
the description of the inner attitudes of widows - verses 5-7  
the description of our responsibility to widows in our family -verse 8

### **The Description of Various Types of Widows**

#### **Widows Indeed**

these are widows who have no families to care for them

#### **Widows With Families**

individuals with widows in their families are to do the following things toward them:

show them respect or reverence

provide for them as they earlier provided for you

### **The Description of the Inner Attitudes of Widows**

#### **Some widows trust God and serve Him**

a widow who is left alone will often have the following characteristics:

they will trust in God

they will devote themselves to prayer

#### **Some widows live to please themselves**

these widows will seek pleasure

they widows live as if they are spiritually dead

these widows are to be commanded to be blameless

### **The Description of our Responsibility to Widows in our Family**

#### **The responsibility given to us**

we are to provide for our own family

we are to especially provide for those who are a part of our household

#### **The one who neglects this responsibility**

he has rejected the acts that accompany true faith

he is acting like one who is not a Christian

# Responsibilities to Widows

## I Timothy 5:9-16

responsibilities to older widows without families - verse 9-10  
responsibilities to younger widows - verses 11-15  
responsibilities toward our dependent widows - verse 16

### **Responsibilities to older widows without families**

#### **these responsibilities are to older women**

the responsibility of the church is to women sixty year of age or older  
the responsibility of the church is to women who have been faithful wives

#### **these responsibilities are to godly women**

these women are to be recognized for their good works

this includes raising children

this includes showing hospitality to strangers

this includes serving other Christians

this includes relieving those who suffer

this includes following every good work

### **Responsibilities to younger widows**

**younger widows are not to become the responsibility of the church**

they will not choose to depend on Christ for the rest of their lives

they will want to marry again

they would have condemnation if they had vowed not to marry again

#### **younger widows are not to learn to be idle**

they become accustomed to being idle

they become accustomed to wander from house to house

they begin to talk about foolish things

they get involved in other peoples business

they talk about things that they should not talk about

**younger widows are to be encouraged to remarry, rule the house and earn respect**

### **Responsibilities to widows from our own families**

we are to give aid to widows from our own families

we are to let the church care for those without families

# Responsibilities to Spiritual Leaders - Part I

## I Timothy 5:17-21

we are to share with our spiritual leaders - verses 17-18  
we are to do things properly if we need to discipline spiritual leaders - verses 19-21

### Sharing with our Spiritual Leaders

#### **Scripture teaches our responsibility**

Effective spiritual leaders are to receive double honor  
honor by appreciation for their work

honor by finances to help them in their work

Effective spiritual leaders work hard sharing the Word and teaching

#### **Scripture illustrates our responsibility**

the ox was given food for doing his work

the laborer was given wages for doing his work

### Disciplining our Spiritual Leaders

#### **spiritual leaders are not to be accused without multiple witnesses**

accusations are not to be received unless there are two or three witnesses

#### **spiritual leaders are to be publicly rebuked if they continue to sin**

a spiritual leader is to be corrected publicly if found guilty

a spiritual leader sets an example so discipline also sets an example

#### **spiritual leaders are to be disciplined without partiality**

discipline is something that is commanded by God

discipline is something that it to be done without prejudice

discipline is something that is to be done without partiality

(prejudice and partiality in any situation are always sin)

#### **James 2:8-10**

If you really fulfill *the* royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you do well; but if you show partiality, you commit sin, and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever shall keep the whole law, and yet stumble in one *point*, he is guilty of all. (NKJV)

# Responsibilities of Spiritual Leaders - Part II

## I Timothy 5:22-25

we are to take time before choosing spiritual leaders - verse 22  
we are to recognize that spiritual leaders have physical needs - verse 23  
we are to recognize the deeds of our spiritual leaders - verses 24-25

### Choosing our Spiritual Leaders

laying on of hands was done at the time spiritual leaders were recognized

#### I Timothy 4:14

Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the eldership. (NKJV)

spiritual leaders are not to be chosen too quickly  
spiritual leaders are more likely to be involved in sin if chosen too quickly  
spiritual leaders are to keep themselves pure

### Recognizing the Physical Needs of Spiritual Leaders

Timothy had frequent stomach problems  
these problems were being made worse by bad water  
these problems could be corrected by adding a little grape juice to the water  
(wine is used to speak of any fruit of the vine or grape juice whether it is fresh or has been squeezed for a period of time)

### Recognizing the deeds of our Spiritual Leaders

#### The deeds of those who sin

some men's sins are easily recognized  
some men's sins are not recognized until later

#### The deeds of those who do good

some good works are easily recognized  
some good works will be revealed by God  
(God has promised to reward all good works)

#### I Corinthians 3:14

If anyone's work which he has built on *it* endures, he will receive a reward. (NKJV)

# Responsibilities Toward Others

## I Timothy 6:1-5

our responsibilities toward masters (employers) - verses 1-2  
our responsibilities toward false teachers - verses 3-5

### **Our responsibilities toward employers**

#### **Employers are to be regarded with honor**

##### **Ephesians 6:5-8**

Bondservants, be obedient to those who are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in sincerity of heart, as to Christ; not with eyeservice, as men-pleasers, but as bondservants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart, with goodwill doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men, knowing that whatever good anyone does, he will receive the same from the Lord, whether *he is* a slave or free. (NKJV)

#### **Employers are to be regarded with respect**

##### **Colossians 3:22-23**

Bondservants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh, not with eyeservice, as men-pleasers, but in sincerity of heart, fearing God. And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, (NKJV)

### **Our responsibilities toward false teachers**

#### **False teachers have wrong doctrine**

##### **Titus 1:9**

Holding fast the faithful word as he has been taught, that he may be able, by sound doctrine, both to exhort and convict those who contradict. (NKJV)

#### **False teachers have wrong inner attitudes**

##### **Titus 1:15-16**

To the pure all things are pure, but to those who are defiled and unbelieving nothing is pure; but even their mind and conscience are defiled. They profess to know God, but in works they deny Him, being abominable, disobedient, and disqualified for every good work. (NKJV)

#### **False teachers cause conflicts between others**

##### **Titus 1:10-11**

For there are many insubordinate, both idle talkers and deceivers, especially those of the circumcision, whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole households, teaching things which they ought not, for the sake of dishonest gain. (NKJV)

# Learning to be Content

## I Timothy 6:6-8

contentment produces great gain - verse 6

contentment causes us to realize that we cannot take things with us - verse 7

contentment is the result of being thankful for what we have - verse - 8

### Contentment produces great gain

#### II Corinthians 9:6-8

But this *I say*: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. *So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work.* (NKJV)

### Contentment causes us to realize that we cannot take things with us

#### Mark 8:36-37

"For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? "Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? (NKJV)

### Contentment is the result of being thankful for what we have

#### Hebrews 13:5-6

*Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." So we may boldly say: "The LORD is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?"* (NKJV)

#### Philippians 4:11-13

Not that I speak in regard to need, for I have learned in whatever state I am, to be content: I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound. Everywhere and in all things I have learned both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. (NKJV)

### Are you content?

the word content means to be satisfied or to be contented with what you have

#### Contentment produces:

a thankful spirit  
a root in the love of Christ  
Ephesians 3:17

#### Discontent produces:

an unthankful spirit  
a root of evil  
I Timothy 6:10

# What About a Love of Money?

## I Timothy 6:9-10

love of money opens us up to temptation - verse 9  
 love of money is a root of evil - verse 10

### Love of money opens us up to temptation

those who desire to be rich fall into temptation  
 those who desire to be rich fall into a snare (a trap which catches suddenly)  
 those who desire to be rich follow many foolish desires  
 those who desire to be rich follow many harmful desires  
 those who desire to be rich may find it leads to destruction  
 those who desire to be rich may find it leads to eternal judgment

### Love of money is a root of all sorts of evil

those who love money find it is a root problem  
 those who love money find it leads to all kinds of evil  
 those who love money find that their greediness causes them to stray from the faith  
 those who love money torture their souls with many sorrows

### Root symptoms and the root cause of sin

Root Symptoms		
Root of bitterness Hebrews 12:15		Root of the love of money I Timothy 6:10
Root Cause		
failure to take root in the love of Christ need to take root in the love of Christ - Ephesians 3:17, Colossians 2:6-7 need to submit to Christ - Romans 6:13, 16		

# Goals for our Lives

## I Timothy 6:11-12

we are to pursue the things that develop godliness - verse 11  
we are to fight the good fight of faith - verse 12

### **We are to pursue the things that develop godliness**

godliness is developed as we flee the things mentioned in the earlier verse  
godliness is developed as we pursue certain things  
righteousness - II Timothy 2:22  
godliness - I Timothy 4:8  
faith - Colossians 2:6-7  
love - John 21:15-17  
patience - II Thessalonians 3:5  
gentleness - II Timothy 2:25

### **We are to fight the good fight of faith**

#### **fight the good fight of faith**

II Timothy 4:7-8

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing. (NKJV)

#### **lay hold on eternal life**

I John 3:1-3

Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure. (NKJV)

#### **share this news with many others**

Romans 10:10

For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. (NKJV)

# A Charge for our Lives

## I Timothy 6:13-16

this charge is given in the presence of God - verse 13  
this charge is to keep the commandments of Christ - verse 14  
this charge is from the King of kings - verse 15  
this charge is from the One who is Eternal - verse 16

### This charge is given in the presence of God

a charge is a command that is being passed from one to another  
this charge was being passed from Christ to Timothy and to us

### This charge is to keep the commandments of Christ

#### John 14:15

If you love Me, keep My commandments. (NKJV)

#### John 15:10-15

"If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love. "These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and *that* your joy may be full. "This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. "Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends. "You are My friends if you do whatever I command you. "No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you. (NKJV)

### This charge is from the King of kings

#### Revelation 19:16

And He has on *His* robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS. (NKJV)

### This charge is from the One who is Eternal

#### Revelation 1:8

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, *the* Beginning and *the* End," says the Lord, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty." (NKJV)

# Instructing the Rich

## I Timothy 6:17-19

the rich are not to fix their hope on riches - verse 17  
 the rich are to use their riches for good works - verse 18  
 the rich are to store up treasure in heaven - verse 19

### The rich are not to fix their hope on riches

Those who trust in riches	Those who trust in the Lord
may become proud trust in uncertain riches cannot enjoy what God has given	realize everything comes for God trust in the Lord enjoy what God has given

### The rich are to use their riches for good works

riches are to be used to do good  
 riches provide an opportunity to be rich in good works  
 riches provide the opportunity to give  
 riches provide the opportunity to share

### The rich are to store up treasure in heaven

riches cannot be taken with us when we die  
 riches sent ahead build a good foundation

**Matthew 6:19-21**

Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. (NKJV)

**Galatians 6:8-10**

For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life. And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith. (NKJV)

# A Final Word

## I Timothy 6:20-21

we are to guard what has been committed to us - verse 20a  
we are to avoid worldly arguments - verse 20b  
we are not to turn away from the faith - verse 21

### We are to guard what has been committed to our trust

#### II Timothy 3:14-17

But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned *them*, and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All Scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work. (NKJV)

### We are to avoid worldly arguments

these include profane babblings  
these include idle babblings  
these include contradictions of what is falsely called knowledge

#### I Timothy 1:3-4

As I urged you when I went into Macedonia -- remain in Ephesus that you may charge some that they teach no other doctrine, nor give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which cause disputes rather than godly edification which is in faith. (NKJV)

### We are not to turn away from the faith

#### I Timothy 1:18-20

This charge I commit to you, son Timothy, according to the prophecies previously made concerning you, that by them you may wage the good warfare, having faith and a good conscience, which some having rejected, concerning the faith have suffered shipwreck, of whom are Hymenaeus and Alexander, whom I delivered to Satan that they may learn not to blaspheme. (NKJV)

# **The Call of God to Boldness**

## **II Timothy 1:1-7**

this call is from God - verses 1-2  
this call is a call to boldness - verses 3-7

### **The call of God**

this call was explained by Paul  
this call comes from the will of God  
this call is based on life in Christ  
this call was to Timothy  
this call was to a greatly loved son in the faith  
this call said grace, mercy and peace have their source in God

### **The concern of Paul for Timothy**

Paul prayed for Timothy continually - verse 3  
Paul desired to see Timothy - verse 4  
Paul rejoiced in the faith of Timothy - verse 5

### **The call of God to use our spiritual gift**

Timothy was told to strengthen his ministry with his gift  
Timothy was told his gift had been recognized by Paul

### **The call of God is exercised in the power of the Spirit**

**The spirit God has not given**

**the spirit of fear**

**The spirit God has given**

**the spirit of power**

**the spirit of love**

**the spirit of a disciplined mind**

# The Call of God to Courage

## II Timothy 1:8-12

courage is need because we face suffering - verse 8  
courage is provided as we trust in Christ - verse 9-11  
courage is demonstrated when we are not ashamed - verse 12

### **Courage is needed to be able to face suffering**

Paul encouraged Timothy not to be ashamed of the Lord  
Paul encouraged Timothy not to be ashamed of him  
Paul encouraged Timothy to share the afflictions of the gospel  
Paul encouraged Timothy to rest in the power of God

### **Courage is provided as we trust in Christ**

**Christ is the One who saved us**  
Christ saved us  
Christ called us with a holy calling  
Christ called us according to His own purpose and grace  
Christ set this purpose before the world was created  
**Christ is the One who defeated death**  
Christ fulfilled His purpose by coming to the earth  
Christ defeated death through His death  
Christ brought eternal life through the gospel  
**Christ is the One who gives us a ministry**  
Christ appointed Paul to be a preacher  
Christ appointed Paul to be an apostle  
Christ appointed Paul to be a teacher of the Gentiles

### **Courage is demonstrated when we are not ashamed**

Paul was not ashamed to suffer  
Paul knew who he believed  
Paul was persuaded that Christ would keep him  
Paul had committed himself to Christ for that day

# The Call of God to Faithfulness

## II Timothy 1:13-18

faithfulness is encouraged in the life of Timothy - verses 13-14  
faithfulness was not demonstrated by those in Asia - verse 15  
faithfulness was demonstrated by Onesiphorus - verse 16-18

### **Timothy was encouraged to hold fast to sound words**

Timothy had a pattern of sound teaching  
Timothy had received that teaching from Paul  
Timothy would grow strong in faith and love as he followed that teaching  
Timothy was told to guard that teaching which he had received  
Timothy had understood that teaching through the Holy Spirit  
Timothy, and all believers, have that same Holy Spirit dwelling in us

### **Timothy was warned about those who turned away from Paul**

those in Asia had turned away from Paul  
those in Asia were led by Phygelus and Hermogenes

### **Timothy was encouraged to see the faithfulness of Onesiphorus**

Onesiphorus had often refreshed Paul (been like a breath of fresh air)  
Onesiphorus was not ashamed to visit Paul in prison  
Onesiphorus has looked hard to find Paul in Rome  
Onesiphorus had looked until he found Paul in Rome  
Onesiphorus could look forward to enjoying the mercy of the Lord  
Onesiphorus had also been a great help to Paul in Ephesus  
Onesiphorus had been an example to Timothy in Ephesus

### **Characteristics of Onesiphorus**

**an encourager  
a diligent person  
an example  
a helper**

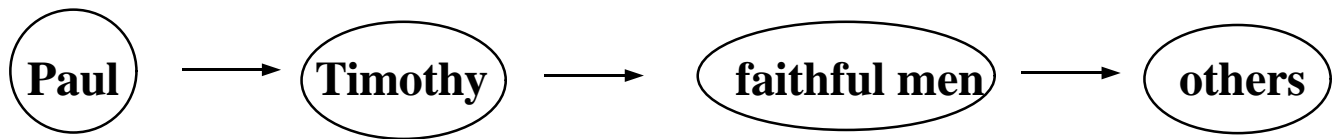
# The Character of a Servant of God - Part 1

## II Timothy 2:1-4

our service is illustrated by a faithful son - verses 1-2  
 our service is illustrated by a soldier - verses 3-4

### Service is illustrated by a faithful son

a son who is strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus  
 a son who is reproducing his life in the lives of others by:  
**teaching faithful men**  
**who are able to teach others also**



### Service is illustrated by a soldier

a soldier endures hardness  
 a soldier does not entangle himself with the affairs of this life  
 a soldier seeks to please the one who has chosen him

<b>Endures hardness</b>	<b>Does not entangle himself</b>	<b>Priority is pleasing God</b>
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### Characteristics of the servant of God

**Strong**  
**Reproducing**  
**Endures hardness**  
**Not entangled with the affairs of life**  
**Seeks to please God**

# The Character of a Servant of God - Part 2

## II Timothy 2:5-7

our service is illustrated by an athlete - verse 5  
our service is illustrated by a farmer - verses 6  
our service requires understanding - verse 7

### Service is illustrated by an athlete

an athlete contends for a prize  
an athlete contends according to the rules

<b>Christians seek an eternal prize</b>	<b>Christians serve according to the Word of God</b>
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### Service is illustrated by a farmer

a farmer labors  
a farmer is first to enjoy the fruit

<b>Christians work hard</b>	<b>Christians enjoy present and future rewards</b>
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### Service requires understanding

we must meditate on what the Lord says  
we must look to the Lord for understanding

### Characteristics of the servant of God

<b>Seeks an eternal prize</b>
<b>Serves according to the Word of God</b>
<b>Works hard</b>
<b>Enjoys present and future rewards</b>
<b>Meditates on the Word of God</b>
<b>Looks to the Lord for understanding</b>

# **Christ - The Example of Service**

## **II Timothy 2:8-13**

Christ is the One who rose from the dead - verses 8-10  
Christ is the One who gives us strength to suffer - verse 11-13

### **Christ is the One who rose from the dead**

**He is the One who died and rose again**

Christ was a descendent of David

Christ was raised from the dead

Christ is the One we preach

**He is the One who keeps His Word from being bound**

Paul was in prison

Paul was being treated as an evildoer

Paul continued to share the Word of God

**He is the One who gives strength to endure**

Paul was willing to suffer to reach those God has chosen

Paul wanted each person to obtain salvation

Paul knew that salvation is in Christ

### **Christ is the One who gives us strength to suffer**

**He will cause us to live with Him**

Since we are dead with Christ

We shall live with Christ

**He will cause us to reign with Him**

Since we suffer with Christ

We shall reign with Christ

If we deny Christ

He will deny us

**He will be faithful**

If we are not faithful

Christ will still be faithful

Christ cannot deny Himself

# Christ Calls us to be Workers

## II Timothy 2:14-19

a worker handles the Word of God accurately - verses 14-15

a worker avoids following the world's ideas - verses 16-18

a worker avoids wickedness - verse 19

### **A worker handles the Word of God accurately**

#### **we are not to get involved in Word battles**

we are to remind people of the example of Christ  
we are to charge Christians not to have word battles  
word battles are destructive to the hearers

#### **we are to be faithful students of the Word**

make it your goal to please God  
be a worker in your study of the Word of God  
have no cause to be ashamed  
teach the Word of God accurately and correctly

### **A worker avoids following the world's ideas**

#### **The world's ideas are empty**

avoid ungodly discussion  
avoid discussion of useless matters  
these discussions increase ungodliness

**The world's ideas spread like gangrene**  
**The world's ideas upset the faith of some**

### **A worker avoids wickedness**

The Lord gives us a sure foundation  
The Lord knows each of us personally  
The Lord wants us to depart from evil

# Christ Calls us to be Useful Vessels

## II Timothy 2:20-23

we will be used by God if we are a useful vessel - verses 20-21  
we will be used by God if we avoid certain things - verses 22-23

### **We will be used by God if we are a useful vessel**

**a vessel can be either honorable or dishonorable**

we can be a vessel of honor  
we can be a vessel of dishonor

**a useful vessel has four characteristics**

a vessel of honor  
sanctified or set apart to God  
useful for the Master  
prepared for every good work

### **We will be used by God if we avoid certain things**

**we must avoid youthful lusts and follow certain things:**

righteousness - that which is acceptable and pleasing to God  
faith - trust and confidence in Christ which continues to grow  
love - the love that Christ showed by His self-sacrifice  
peace - the inner peace that comes from a right relationship with God  
a pure heart - our inner person cleansed from any sin

**we must avoid foolish questions**

foolish disputes - foolish or godless debates and questions  
ignorant disputes - rude or ignorant debates and questions  
such disputes and questions always produce strife and conflict

# Christ Calls us to be Bondservants

## II Timothy 2:24-26

the Lord's bondservant will be kind to all - verse 24  
the Lord's bondservant will correct with gentleness - verses 25-26

### **The Lord's bondservant will be kind to all**

the bondservant of the Lord - one who gives himself up to the Lord's will  
a bondservant will not quarrel - one who does not get involved in a war of words  
a bondservant will be gentle - one who is mild and gentle to everyone  
a bondservant will be able to teach - one who is skillful at teaching  
a bondservant is patient - one who accepts with patience the evils done to him

### **The Lord's bondservant will correct with gentleness**

**this provides the opportunity for opposers to come to repentance**

a bondservant is humble - he trains others with gentleness and humbleness  
a bondservant accepts opposition - he is gentle toward those who oppose  
a bondservant teaches with certain goals in mind



**his desire is to see repentance toward God  
(a change of mind which produces a change of actions)**

**his desire is to see an acceptance of the truth**

**this provides the opportunity for opposers to come to their senses**

the opposers may return to their senses - begin to think clearly  
the opposers may escape the snare of the devil - get out of the trap of the devil  
the opposers have been taken captive by the devil  
the opposers have been doing the will of the devil

# **The Prediction of People Turning Away**

## **II Timothy 3:1-9**

the conditions in the last days - verse 1  
the character of those who turn away - verses 2-7  
the condition of the heart of those who turn away - verses 8-9

### **The conditions in the last days**

**The days will be hard and dangerous for living**

### **The character of those who turn away**

people will be self-centered  
(they will be selfish and think only of themselves)

people will lack love for others  
(this will be shown by the way they act toward others)

people will love pleasure rather than love God  
(they will only live to please themselves)

people will deny the power of God  
(they will have a form of religion but depend on themselves)

people will make others their victims  
(those who seek to satisfy themselves use others)

people will never come to the knowledge of the truth  
(seek human wisdom instead of God's wisdom)

### **The condition of the heart of those who turn away**

people will reject the truth because of depraved minds

people will have their folly revealed

# Paul Gave an Example for Victory

## II Timothy 3:10-13

Paul gave an example of a godly life - verse 10

Paul gave an example of enduring persecution - verse 11

Paul gave a warning that we would experience persecution - verse 12

Paul gave a warning of the consequences for evil men - verse 13

### **Paul gave an example of a godly life**

Paul gave an example by his doctrine - the things that he taught

Paul gave an example by his manner of life - personal conduct

Paul gave an example by his purpose in life - he had a clear purpose

Paul gave an example by his faith - his strong faith in Christ

Paul gave an example by his longsuffering - his patience

Paul gave an example by his love - his Christ-like love

Paul gave an example by his perseverance - endurance

### **Paul gave an example of enduring persecution**

Paul gave an example when enduring persecution

Paul gave an example when enduring afflictions - suffering

Paul gave an example of suffering in many different places

Paul gave an example of experiencing the Lord's deliverance in many places

### **Paul gave a warning that we would experience persecution**

those who choose to live a godly life will have the  
privilege of suffering for Christ - Acts 5:41

### **Paul gave a warning of the consequences for evil men**

evil men will practice more and more evil  
imposters (deceivers) will practice more and more evil  
they will deceive others  
they will be deceived themselves

# Timothy Shows How to Grow

## II Timothy 3:14-17

Timothy was to continue in the Scriptures - verse 14  
 Timothy have been brought to maturity by the Scriptures - verses 15-17

### Timothy was to continue in the Scriptures

Timothy was to continue in the things that he had learned by use and practice  
 Timothy was to continue in the things that he was firmly persuaded were true  
 Timothy knew that he had been taught by reliable teachers

### Timothy had been brought to maturity by the Scriptures

#### The Scriptures had been taught to Timothy since childhood

Timothy had been taught the Scriptures since he was a new-born child  
 Timothy had been taught so that there was understanding of the Scriptures  
 Timothy had come to an understanding of salvation through the Scriptures  
 Timothy had come to a true faith in Christ through the Scriptures

### The Scriptures were given by God

**All Scripture comes from the very breath of God**  
**All Scripture is profitable for four things**

<b>Doctrine</b> (instruction)	<b>Reproof</b> (for testing our lives)	<b>Correction</b> (for restoration)	<b>Instruction in Righteousness</b> (for complete training)
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### The Scriptures will bring us to maturity

God wants us to become a "man of God"  
 God wants us to become complete  
 God wants us to be thoroughly equipped  
 God wants us equipped for all good works

# Timothy Received a Personal Charge

## II Timothy 4:1-5

Paul gave this charge in the presence on the Lord - verse 1  
Paul gave a charge to preach the Word - verses 2-4  
Paul gave a charge to do the work of an evangelist -verse 5

### Paul gave this charge in the presence of the Lord

the Lord is the source of this charge  
the Lord is the One who will judge the living  
the Lord is the One who will judge the death  
the Lord will do this at His coming

### Paul gave Timothy a charge to preach the Word

**this charge was to share the Word at all times**  
Timothy was to share the Word at all times  
Timothy was to convict with the goal to correct  
Timothy was to warn or admonish about future consequences  
Timothy was to encourage, strengthen and instruct  
Timothy was to do this with great patience  
Timothy was to spend time teaching these things  
**this charge warned that men would reject sound doctrine**  
Paul knew that the time would come when people would reject sound teaching  
Paul knew that people would choose to follow their own sinful desires  
Paul knew that people would look for teachers who told them what they wanted  
**this charge warned that men would turn to fables**  
people would turn away from the truth  
people would turn to fables (things that people invented)

### Paul gave Timothy a charge to do the work of an evangelist

Timothy had to be alert and expect suffering  
Timothy was to do the work of an evangelist - Ephesians 4:11-13  
Timothy was to carry out every part of his ministry

# Paul Looked Forward to his Reward

## II Timothy 4:6-8

Paul knew he would soon die - verse 6

Paul knew that he had been faithful - verse 7

Paul knew that he would receive a reward - verse 8

### Paul knew he would soon die

he was prepared to die a violent death  
he knew that the time of his death was getting close

### Paul knew that he had been faithful

he knew that he had done three things  
Paul had fought a good battle in life  
Paul had finished the course God had for him  
Paul had remained true to the faith

### Three standards by which we can measure our lives

**Have we fought a good battle in life?**  
(this evaluates our character)  
**Have we each finished the personal course that God has for us?**  
(this evaluates our ministry and use of spiritual gifts)  
**Have we been kept the faith?**  
(this evaluates our faithfulness to Christ)

### Paul knew that he would receive a reward

Paul knew that he had a reward waiting for him  
Paul knew that the reward was a crown of righteousness  
Paul knew that the reward came from the Righteous Judge  
Paul knew that the crown of righteousness was for all true believers

# Paul Shares Words from the Heart

## II Timothy 4:9-18

Paul felt the need for fellowship - verses 9-10  
Paul said that Mark was profitable for ministry - verse 11  
Paul had sent Tychicus to Ephesus - verse 12  
Paul asked Timothy to bring certain things - verse 13  
Paul warned of Alexander, the coppersmith - verses 14-15  
Paul told of his first trial - verses 16-18

### **Paul felt the need for fellowship**

Paul asked Timothy to hurry to come and join him  
Paul said some of the others had left him

### **Paul told of the ministry of others**

Paul said that Luke was with him  
Paul said that Mark would be very useful to him for the ministry  
**(Barnabas had given Mark a second opportunity for ministry after failure and it has paid off so that now he had become useful - Acts 15:36-40)**  
Paul said that Tychicus had been sent to Ephesus

### **Paul asked Timothy to bring certain things**

Paul needed the overcoat that he had left with Carpus  
Paul needed the books or scrolls for study  
Paul needed the parchments or writing materials so he could write

### **Paul warned of Alexander, the coppersmith**

Alexander had done much evil to Paul - I Timothy 1:20  
Alexander would receive from the Lord according to what he had done  
Alexander was one from whom Timothy needed to protect himself  
Alexander had really spoken against the teaching of Paul

### **Paul told about his first trial**

no man stood with Paul but all forsook him  
the Lord stood with Paul and strengthened him  
the Lord rescued Paul from Satan and his world ruler  
the Lord will deliver and preserve from every evil work

# **Paul Shares Final Greetings**

## **II Timothy 4:19-22**

Paul sent greetings to individuals - verse 19  
Paul shared how Trophimus was sick - verse 20  
Paul sent greetings from individuals - verse 21  
Paul shared again that the Lord is with us - verse 22

### **Paul sent greetings to individuals**

#### **Prisca and Aquila**

Paul had first met this couple in Corinth - Acts 18:1-3  
Paul later took them with him to Ephesus - Acts 18:18-19  
God used them to teach Apollos - Acts 18:24-28  
God used them to start a church in Rome - Romans 16:3-5

#### **Onesiphorus**

only other mention of Onesiphorus is in II Timothy 1:16-18  
Onesiphorus had met the needs of Paul many times  
Onesiphorus was not ashamed to serve Paul in prison

### **Paul told where other team members were**

Erastus was in Corinth  
Trophimus was sick in Miletus

### **Paul asked Timothy to come and be with him**

**We really need one another**

### **Paul sent greetings from other team members**

**These team members had not deserted Paul**

Paul committed Timothy to the Lord