

# TRUTHS FOR DISCIPLESHIP

## EXPLAIN THE GOSPEL (I TIMOTHY 1-3)

Memory Verse: "All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness."

II Timothy 3:16



- Who we choose to bring into our lives can change the trajectory of it
  - Proverbs 27:17
- Since there were spiritual revivals going on, there were then Satanic obstacles
  - 1 Corinthians 16:9

### 1 Tim. 1:3

- We can hurt so many because we decided to pick and choose what the Lord has made known to us
- Paul gave Timothy a **charge**
  - Charge is not just a sweet ask, this means "to give strict orders from a superior officer."
- It is used **eight times** in the two letters to Timothy
  - **1 Tim. 1:5**
- The Law was given so that we realized our depravity
  - **1 Tim. 1:9-11**
  - **1 Tim. 1:12-17**
- Paul was finally in the hands of the One who formed him

Winston Churchill said "The truth is incontrovertible. Malice may attack it, ignorance may deride it, but in the end, there it is."

- **2 Tim. 3:16**
- We are not to sway away from the truth, even when it can be offensive or uncomfortable

### 1. Men should get on their knees with self-control

- **1 Tim. 2:1-2**
- **1 Tim. 2:8**
- We think we have to be the end all, when instead we are called to turn to the power that is above all else!
- Prayer is the first response, not the last.

### 2. Women should be willing to serve with surrender

- **1 Tim. 2:9-11**
- **Eph. 5:21**
- Submission in this passage comes from the Greek word – Hupotage which means "placing oneself in an orderly manner under the guidance or authority of another"
  - **Eph. 5:22-25**
- You represent the church! You represent the Bride! You have been given such a high calling that takes humility and true wisdom!
- Timothy wasn't pointed to the gospel because of his dad, he was led there because of his mother and grandmother!

### **3. Authority should live by example with sacrifice**

#### **1 Tim. 3:1-2**

- This is a calling, not something to try out.
  - **Luke 12:48**
- May we pray for the leadership that we will stand fully for truth not just in word, but more importantly in deed.
  - **1 Tim. 3:15**

**Are you ready to not just be the church by word, but by identity?**

#### **Questions to Ask:**

##### **Read 1 Timothy 1:1-11**

1. Why do you think Paul saw Timothy as a son in verse 2?
2. Paul spoke of myths and endless genealogies in verse 4, how does that take away from the Gospel? How are we seeing the same problem today?
3. Conversations of debate can be interesting, but when does it become useless?
4. Verse 5 is the whole purpose of the letters to Timothy. How could we see a pure heart, a good conscience, and a sincere faith tangibly?
5. In verse 9 it says that the law was made for the lawless, what does this mean to you?

##### **Read 1 Timothy 1:12-20**

6. How has the Gospel worked in your life? How has God changed you?
7. In verse 20 it says that Hymenaeus and Alexander were handed over to Satan, what do you believe this means? (Read 1 Cor. 5:5)

##### **Read 1 Timothy 2:1-8**

8. How do you think a tranquil and quiet life should look?
9. Why is it important to pray for all in authority?
10. How can anger affect our prayers

##### **Read 1 Timothy 2:9-15**

11. Why do you think Paul confronted clothing in verses 9-10? What was he saying is more important than clothing?
12. Why has the culture become so critical toward the truth of being subject to others? (Read Ephesians 5:21-25 again)
13. How does this passage also call out men as well?
14. How did Adam fail in his role in Genesis?

##### **Read 1 Timothy 3:1-16**

15. In verse 5 it says that if a man can't manage his home, how can he manage the church, how is the home a measurement of a man's leadership?
16. Why shouldn't an elder be a new convert?
17. In verse 7 it says that an elder should have a good reputation outside the church, what do you think that should look like?
18. Verse 10 says these individuals should be tested, what kind of testing do you think should happen for these leaders?
19. Paul puts a lot of emphasis on the importance of the church in verse 15, how should we prioritize it with these truths in mind?