

PAUL'S THREEFOLD GOSPEL MINISTRY IN 1 TIMOTHY

“But the goal of our instruction is love from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith” (1 Tim 1:5)

<p><b>DOCTRINE:</b> <i>Clear Exposition and Explanation of the Gospel</i></p>	<p><b>FAITH:</b> <i>Genuine, Persevering Trust in the Gospel</i></p>	<p><b>CONDUCT:</b> <i>Godliness Effected and Produced by the Gospel</i></p>
<p><b>1:3</b> As I urged you upon my departure for Macedonia, remain on at Ephesus <u>so that you may instruct certain men not to teach strange doctrines</u>...</p> <p><b>1:5</b> But the goal of our <u>instruction</u> is love from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith.</p> <p><b>3:15</b> ...I write so that you will know how one ought to conduct himself in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, <u>the pillar and support of the truth</u>.</p> <p><b>4:6</b> In pointing out these things to the brethren, you will be a good servant of Christ Jesus, constantly nourished on <u>the words of the faith and of the sound doctrine</u> which you have been following.</p> <p><b>4:13</b> ...give attention to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation and <u>teaching</u>.</p> <p><b>4:16</b> <u>Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching</u>; persevere in these things, for as you do this you will ensure salvation both for yourself and for those who hear you.</p> <p><b>6:3</b> If anyone advocates a different doctrine and does not agree with <u>sound words, those of our Lord Jesus Christ, and with the doctrine conforming to godliness</u>,</p> <p>Paul gives various examples of the sound doctrine included in the Apostolic Gospel as he writes Timothy. For example: 1:8-11, 15, 17; 2:3-6; 3:16; 4:10; 6:13-16.</p> <p>Paul also gives several warnings and expresses great concern for doctrine as he writes Timothy. For example: 1:3-7; 4:1-4; 6:3-10, 20-21.</p>	<p><b>1:2</b> To Timothy, <i>my true child in the faith</i>: Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.</p> <p><b>1:5</b> But the goal of our instruction is love from a pure heart and a good conscience and <u>a sincere faith</u>.</p> <p><b>1:14</b> ...and the grace of our Lord was more than abundant, with the <u>faith</u> and love which are found in Christ Jesus.</p> <p><b>1:18-19</b> This command I entrust to you, Timothy, <i>my son</i>, in accordance with the prophecies previously made concerning you, that by them you <u>fight the good fight, keeping faith</u> and a good conscience, which some have rejected and suffered shipwreck in regard to their faith.</p> <p><b>4:12</b> Let no one look down on your youthfulness, but rather in speech, conduct, love, <u>faith</u> and purity, show yourself an example of those who believe.</p> <p><b>6:11</b> But flee from these things, you man of God, and pursue righteousness, godliness, <u>faith</u>, love, perseverance and gentleness.</p> <p><b>6:12</b> <u>Fight the good fight of faith</u>; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called, and you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.</p> <p>Paul gives Timothy several warnings concerning people forsaking the faith and thus exhorts him all the more to be aware of these men and to teach the believers well. For example: 1:3-8; 4:1-6; 6:3-12, 20.</p>	<p><b>1:5</b> But the goal of our instruction is love from a <u>pure heart and a good conscience</u> and a sincere faith</p> <p><b>3:15</b> ...I write so that you will know <u>how one ought to conduct</u> himself in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and support of the truth.</p> <p><b>4:7-8</b> ...discipline yourself for <u>the purpose of godliness</u>; for bodily discipline is only of little profit, but <u>godliness</u> is profitable for all things, since it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come.</p> <p><b>4:12</b> Let no one look down on your youthfulness, but rather <u>in speech, conduct, love, faith and purity, show yourself an example</u> of those who believe.</p> <p><b>4:15</b> Take pains with these things; be absorbed in them, so that <u>your progress</u> will be evident to all.</p> <p><b>4:16</b> <u>Pay close attention to yourself</u> and to your teaching; persevere in these things, for as you do this you will ensure salvation both for yourself and for those who hear you.</p> <p><b>5:22</b> Do not lay hands upon anyone <i>too</i> hastily and thereby share responsibility for the sins of others; <u>keep yourself free from sin</u>.</p> <p><b>6:11</b> But flee from these things, you man of God, and <u>pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, perseverance and gentleness</u>.</p> <p>Paul gives instructions to Timothy concerning various kinds of people concerning their <u>conduct</u> in the church: For example: 2:2 (civilians), 9-15 (women); 3:2-7 (overseers), 8-13 (deacons); 5:1-2 (young), 5:3-16 (widows); 5:17-22 (elders); 6:1-2 (slaves); 6:17-19 (rich).</p>

**Right Doctrine + Genuine Faith + Godly Conduct = Gospel-Centered Ministry**