

1 TIMOTHY PART 1
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INTRODUCTION

- First week in series on 1-2 Timothy. Written by Paul to a young pastor named Timothy.
- 1 & 2 Timothy and Titus - pastoral letters to leaders instructing on how to lead well.
- Ephesians 1:19-20, "...you will understand the incredible greatness of God's power for us who believe Him. This is the same mighty power ²⁰ that raised Christ from the dead and seated Him in the place of honor at God's right hand in the heavenly realms."

I. WHAT HINDERS YOUR JOURNEY

- Paul is writing to Timothy to help him stay in the race when he is getting pounded by people.
- 1 Timothy 1:1-7 NLT, "...² ...to Timothy...May God...our Lord give you grace, mercy, and peace...I urged you to stay there in Ephesus...⁵ The purpose of my instruction is that all believers would be filled with love...a clear conscience, and genuine faith..."
- He tells Timothy vs. 3 - "I urged you to remain."
- Why would he say that? Because Timothy wanted to leave! to give up!

II. THE HAND OF GOD IS ON YOUR LIFE

- Vss. 3-5 - His grace, peace and mercy cover you.
- Timothy's life and name were prophetic.
- His name Timo/Theos two Greek words put together.
- Timeo = to honor; Theos = God
- Don't let what hinders you stop you. Honor God, because you are honored by God.

- The real value on you was placed by God: the price He paid for you, His Son!

III. THE HEART OF THE MESSAGE

- Vs. 3 - "I urge you to remain." Stay there.
- Vss. 18-19 - "Timothy...based on the prophetic words spoken about you earlier. May they help you fight well in the Lord's battles. ¹⁹ Cling to your faith in Christ, and keep your conscience clear..."
- Wage the warfare or fight the battle - Greek - strateuō - strategy our word...hold your ground...think clearly.
- Take the high ground - Ephesians 2:6, "We have been seated in heavenly places."

IV. VOICES AND VICES

- Two things Timothy faced:
- One - vices - the things that trip us up.
- Second - voices Timothy was up against.
- Revelation 12:10, "...For the accuser...who accuses them before our God day and night, has been hurled down."
- 2 Timothy 2:15-18, "Work hard so you can present yourself to God and receive His approval. Be a good worker...who correctly explains the word of truth. ¹⁶ Avoid worthless, foolish talk..."
- Remember the assignment I called you to. Vs. 3 - "I charged you," Vs. 18 charged. Paul's call.
- Fight the good fight.
- Vs. 16 - Remember grace.

CLOSE

- Vs. 19 - "Keeping faith and a good conscience."
- Philippians 1:6, "...He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus."