

THE PASTORAL EPISTLES
I & II Timothy, Titus and Philemon
“God Speaks to His Church”

Dangers of False Teaching—I Timothy 1:1-11
January 17, 2010

- A. Introduction** vs. 1, 2(see other side)
- B. Endure** vs. 3-11
- 1. Remain on at Ephesus so that you may instruct. . .** vs. 3, 4
- a. Teaching of strange doctrine
 - b. Speculation
 - c. The administration of God (*oikonomia* translates as *the management of a household*)
- 2. The goal of our ministry** v. 5
- a. Pure heart
 - b. Good conscience
 - c. Sincere faith
- 3. Fruitless discussions** vs. 6, 7
- 4. The true purpose of the Law** vs. 8-11
- a. God’s law is good
 - b. God’s law is primarily for the lawless
 - 1) Lawless and rebellious
 - 2) Ungodly and sinners
 - 3) The unholy and profane
 - 4) Killers of parents
 - 5) Murders
 - 6) Immoral men (*pornos—fornicators*: heterosexual sinners)
 - 7) Homosexuals (*arsenokoties—made up of 2 words: male and marriage bed****)
 - 8) Kidnappers
 - 9) Liars
 - 10) Perjurers
 - 11) What is contrary to sound teaching
 - c. God’s glorious gospel

C. Application

*****Special Sunday School class on this topic on February 7**

INTRODUCTION TO I TIMOTHY

AUTHOR: Paul

DATE: 62 AD (after Paul's imprisonment mentioned in Acts 28)

LOCATION: Paul writes from Macedonia to Timothy in Ephesus

THEME: "Paul, the aged and experienced apostle, writes to young pastor Timothy who is facing a heavy burden of responsibility in the church at Ephesus. The task is challenging: false doctrine must be erased, public worship safeguarded, and mature leadership developed. In addition to the conduct of the church, Paul talks pointedly about the conduct of the minister." (From *Walk through the Bible.*)

AUDIENCE: Paul wrote specifically to Timothy but also had instruction for the church.

BIBLICAL TEACHING:

Critical to continue and maintain strong biblical teaching.

DANGER OF FALSE TEACHERS:

Interested in myths, heretical views, mixtures of Gnosticism and legalistic Judaism, argumentative people who loved to stir up controversies, etc.

TIMOTHY'S BACKGROUND:

- Paul meets Timothy in Lystra on his second missionary journey (Acts 16)
- Timothy had a strong religious heritage
- The church held Timothy in high regard
- He is a faithful co-worker to Paul
- He is of a different temperament and personality from Paul, needing encouragement and boldness
- Paul considers Timothy a true child in the faith

CHRIST IN I TIMOTHY:

1:15 came to save sinners and 2:6 to give His life as a ransom

2:15 the only Mediator

3:16 God in the flesh

4:10 the Savior