

A quill pen is shown in a wooden inkwell on the left side of the image. The quill is white with a dark tip. The inkwell is a dark brown, rounded wooden container. In the foreground, there is a scroll of parchment with handwritten text in a cursive script. The background is dark and out of focus.

# 1 TIMOTHY

The First Epistle of Paul to Timothy



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## MAJOR THEMES

### Apostacy

- Beware of apostacy.
- Some will fall away.

### Behavior

- Behavior of the saints
- Behavior of an (young) evangelist – i.e., Timothy

### Cement Salvation

- Secure the Salvation of your hearers
- Secure your own Salvation!

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- Myths & genealogies (speculations rather than truth) [1:3-7]
- Wives’ tales (i.e., “godless myths fit only for old women”) [4:7]
- Deceitful spirits, doctrines of demons, by hypocrisy of liars [4:1-4]
  - Examples: forbidding marriage, abstaining from foods
- Any different doctrine, not agree w/ sound words [6:3-6]

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### Behavior

- Of Men
  - Of Women
  - Of Elders
  - Of Deacons } & their wives
- Of Timothy
    - Of Preacher/Youth
    - Towards men (older/younger)
    - Towards women (older/younger)
- Of Widows
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  - Toward Elders
  - Of slaves toward masters

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### **C**ement Salvation

- "Fight the good fight of faith/keeping faith" [1:18-19][6:12]
- Be nourished w/ sound doctrine [4:6-10]
- Riches in Heaven, not on Earth [6:17-19]



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## Chapter 3 – Elders & Deacons

### Elder

- Overseer/Bishop  
*Authority, Responsibility*
- Elder  
*Maturity, Experience*
- Pastor (to shepherd/feed)  
*Guarding, Feeding*
- Presbytery  
*Transliterated presbuteros = elders*

### Deacon

*Transliterated diakonos = **servant***



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## Chapter 3 – Elders & Deacons, re:Qualifications

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- *Sober-minded/sensible*
- *Respectable*
- *Hospitable*
- *Able to teach*
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- *Not violent*
- *Considerate*
- *Peaceable*
- *Not greedy*
- *Lead household well, children in submission w/ all dignity*
- *Not a novice*
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(v10, LSB)

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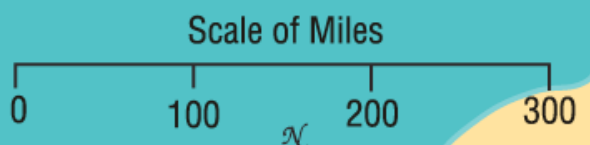
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17. Why is Paul writing to Timothy?

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*Paul's Third Journey*



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## ACTS 20:29-31 (LSB)

<sup>29</sup> I know that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; <sup>30</sup> and from among your own selves men will arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. <sup>31</sup> Therefore be watchful, remembering that night and day for a period of three years I did not cease to admonish each one with tears.

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## *Chapter 4*

### **Falling Away vs Defenses**

18. What is the nature of the false doctrines Paul warns about here?

19. How can one fend off these doctrines and myths?

### **Model Discipline**

20. When “command[ing] and teach[ing] these things,” how could Timothy proactively circumvent his audience from disregarding him because of his youth?

21. Why should Timothy pay close attention to himself and his teachings?



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## Chapter 5

22. How is Timothy to treat those around him?

### **Honor Widows**

23. Who is a “widow indeed”?

24. Why should younger widows be excluded from being “put on the list”?

25. Give two categories of widows, and who should care them?

### **Model Discipline**

26. What does Paul mean by “double honor”?

27. What warning does Paul give concerning accusations against an elder?

28. What is Timothy to do w/ those who continue in sin?

29. Explain verses 24-25, and why this would be useful for a young evangelist to understand.



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## *Chapter 6*

30. How are Christian slaves to treat their Christian masters? Why?
31. What does Paul say of one who teaches a doctrine different from the sound words of Christ?
32. In contrast, what is the “man of God” to do?
33. In total, what does Paul instruct regarding the riches of this world?
34. Summarize Paul’s final exhortations to Timothy in this epistle.
  30. What had been committed to his trust?
  31. What was he to avoid?
  32. What had happened to those who had not heeded this warning?



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## *Conclusion*

*O Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to you, turning aside from godless and empty chatter and opposing arguments of what is falsely called knowledge—which some, while professing, have gone astray from the faith. Grace be with you.*

- 1 Timothy 6:20-21, LSB