

DEAR TIMOTHY (1 Timothy 1:1-2, pg. 1051)

You, therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. What you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, commit to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.

One generation believes something. The next assumes it.
And the third will forget and deny it.

D.A. Carson

### 1) WHO WAS TIMOTHY?



<sup>1</sup>Paul went on to Derbe and Lystra, where there was a disciple named Timothy, the son of a believing Jewish woman, but his father was a Greek. <sup>2</sup>The brothers and sisters at Lystra and Iconium spoke highly of him. <sup>3</sup>Paul wanted Timothy to go with him; so he took him and circumcised him because of the Jews who were in those places, since they all knew that his father was a Greek. <sup>4</sup>As they traveled through the towns, they delivered the decisions reached by the apostles and elders at Jerusalem for the people to observe. 5So the churches were strengthened in the faith and grew daily in numbers. Acts 16:1-5 I recall your sincere faith that first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and now, I am convinced, is in you also.

2 Timothy 1:5



As I urged you when I went to Macedonia, remain in Ephesus so that you may instruct certain people not to teach false doctrine

1 Timothy 1:3

- They were straying in their doctrine (1:3).
- They were preoccupied with myths, genealogies, and speculation (1:4).
- They misused the law (1:7).
- They were apparently immoral (1:19-20).
- Their consciences were seared (4:2).
- They were forbidding marriage and certain foods (4:3).
- They craved controversy and quarrels (6:4).
- They were using godliness for material gain (@5)4+

"Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! You pay a tenth of mint, dill, and cumin, and yet you have neglected the more important matters of the law—justice, mercy, and faithfulness. These things should have been done without neglecting the others."

Matthew 23:23

Even if you should suffer for righteousness, you are blessed. Do not fear them or be intimidated, but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, ready at any time to give a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you. Yet do this with gentleness and reverence, keeping a clear conscience, so that when you are accused, those who disparage your good conduct in Christ will be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

1 Peter 3:14-17

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, because I am lowly and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Matthew 11:29

### Let your graciousness be known to everyone. The Lord is near.

Philippians 4:5

## 1) WHO WAS TIMOTHY? 2) WHY STUDY TIMOTHY?



- What is the purpose of the law? (1)
- How do men and women serve or lead? (2)
- What does church leadership look like? (3)
- What should holy living look like? (4)
- How do we support widows? (5)
- How do we live content and godly lives? (6)

# The Life We're Looking For



Reclaiming Relationship in a Technological World

ANDY CROUCH

"A household is a community of persons who may well take shelter under one roof but also, and more fundamentally, take shelter under one another's care and concern. They provide for one another, and they depend on one another. They mingle their assets and their liabilities, their gifts and their vulnerabilities, in such a way that it is hard to tell where one member's end and another member's begin." Andy Crouch He must manage his own household competently and have his children under control with all dignity. (If anyone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he take care of God's church?)

1 Timothy 3:4-5

#### You are a part of a household if:

- There is someone who knows where you are physically today
- There is someone who moves more quietly when they know you are asleep
- Someone would check on you if you did not awaken
- People know things about you that you do not know about yourself

#### You are a part of a household if:

- You experience the conflict that is the inevitable companion of closeness
- You sometimes dream of running away, perhaps to a far country, so that you will not be so terribly well known
- Your return from a long journey prompts a spontaneous celebration
- When you avoid a party because of your anger, pride, guilt, or shame, someone notices and comes outside to plead with you to come in

"This is the one thing we need more than any other: a community of recognition. While we must always insist that every human being matters whether or not they are seen or treated as one by others, we also know that no human being can flourish as a person unless they are seen and treated as one. And for that, the household is the first and best place. We need a place where we cannot hide. We need a place where we cannot get lost.

So much of the tragedy of the modern world comes down to this: Most of us do not have such a place."

Andy Crouch

# 1) WHO WAS TIMOTHY? 2) WHY STUDY TIMOTHY? 3) WHAT IS THE MAIN POINT?

- I. Confronting False Teachers in God's Household (1:1-20)
- II. Worshiping Together in God's Household (2:1-15)
- III.Identifying Overseers and Deacons in God's Household (3:1-16)
- IV.Teaching with Integrity in God's Household (3:1-16)
- V. Relating to Different Groups in God's Household (5:1-6:2a)
- VI.Contrasting True and False Teachers in God's Household (6:2b-21)

<sup>14</sup>I write these things to you, hoping to come to you soon. 15 But if I should be delayed, I have written so that you will know how people ought to conduct themselves in God's household, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of the truth.

1 Timothy 3:14-15

- <sup>1</sup>Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the command of God our Savior and of Christ Jesus our hope:
- <sup>2</sup>To Timothy, my true son in the faith. Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.



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