

1 This letter is from Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus, appointed by the command of God our Savior and Christ Jesus, who gives us hope.

<sup>2</sup> I am writing to Timothy, my true son in the faith. May God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord give you grace, mercy, and peace."

1 TIMOTHY 1:1-2 (NLT)

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<sup>3</sup> When I left for Macedonia, I urged you to stay there in Ephesus and stop those whose teaching is contrary to the truth. <sup>4</sup> Don't let them waste their time in endless discussion of myths and spiritual pedigrees. These things only lead to meaningless speculations, which don't help people live a life of faith in God.

<sup>5</sup> The purpose of my instruction is that all believers would be filled with love that comes from a pure heart, a clear conscience, and genuine faith. <sup>6</sup> But some people have missed this whole point. They have turned away from these things and spend their time in meaningless discussions. <sup>7</sup> They want to be known as teachers of the law of Moses, but they don't know what they are talking about, even though they speak so confidently."

1 TIMOTHY 1:3-7 (NLT)

It's True: Believers are Filled with	not	

8 We know that the law is good when used correctly. Pror the law was not intended for people who do what is right. It is for people who are lawless and rebellious, who are ungodly and sinful, who consider nothing sacred and defile what is holy, who kill their father or mother or commit other murders. The law is for people who are sexually immoral, or who practice homosexuality, or are slave traders, liars, promise breakers, or who do anything else that contradicts the wholesome teaching that comes from the glorious Good News entrusted to me by our blessed God."

1 TIMOTHY 1:8-11 (NLT)

It's True: The Law Shows us	

<sup>23</sup> Before the way of faith in Christ was available to us, we were placed under guard by the law. We were kept in protective custody, so to speak, until the way of faith was revealed.

<sup>24</sup> Let me put it another way. The law was our guardian until Christ came; it protected us until we could be made right with God through faith."

GALATIANS 3:23-24 (NLT)

## Teach the Next Generation the Truth

66 12 I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength to do his work. He considered me trustworthy and appointed me to serve him, 13 even though I used to blaspheme the name of Christ. In my insolence, I persecuted his people. But God had mercy on me because I did it in ignorance and unbelief. 14 Oh, how generous and gracious our Lord was! He filled me with the faith and love that come from Christ Jesus."

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	The Holy Spirit wasTruth. (John 16.			n 16:13)		
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60	all. <b>16</b> But God had mercy others will realize that th	nying, and everyone should acc on me so that Christ Jesus cou ney, too, can believe in him and no never dies; he alone is God.	uld use me as a prime ex d receive eternal life. <sup>17</sup> )	ample of his grea	at patience with even ary to God forever and	the worst sinners. Then
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60	<sup>23</sup> For everyone has sinne standard."	ed; we all fall short of God's glo	_	<sup>8</sup> If we claim we and not living in		only fooling ourselves
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66	the Lord's battles. 19 Clin consciences; as a result,	are my instructions for you, ba ng to your faith in Christ, ar their faith has been shipwrec ey might learn not to blaspher	nd keep your consciend cked. <sup>20</sup> Hymenaeus and	ce clear. For son	me people have deli wo examples. I threw	berately violated their
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66	-	e a king?' Jesus responded, 'Yo cognize that what I say is true.'	-	•	_	d to testify to the truth.  OHN 18:37-38a (NLT)
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## **DISCUSSION Questions:**

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- **1 -** How would you describe your generation? How is your generation different from the previous generations?
- **2 -** How would you describe the next generation? How are they different from your generation?
- **3** How would you describe the state of truth in our world right now?
- **4 -** Read 1 Timothy 1:1-7. What are some of the endless discussions and meaningless speculations Christians get hung up on? Why do you think people spend their time on this?
- **5** Read 1 Timothy 1:15-17. Why do you think so many Christians work so hard to hide their sins? How does that kind of behavior distance us from people who need the truth?
- **6** Read 1 timothy 1:18-20. Who from the next generation are you passionate about reaching to know and clinging to truth?
- **7** How can you come along side them in a mentoring relationship?

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