

## MY TRUE SON IN THE FAITH

1 TIMOTHY 1:1-2

*To my disciple  
- preserve, protect, pass!*

## CONTEXT OF 1 TIMOTHY

- False teaching in church @ Ephesus

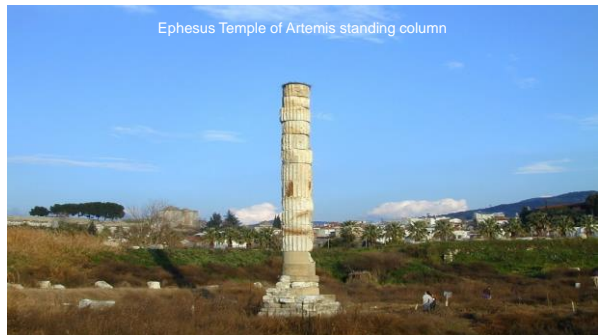
### CAPITAL - ASIA MINOR (MODERN TURKEY)



### HARBOUR CITY

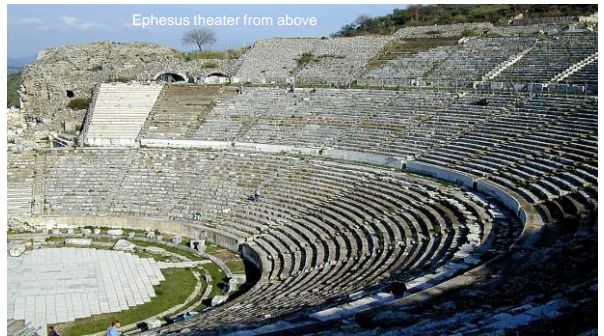


Ephesus Temple of Artemis standing column





## THE GREAT THEATRE



## THEME OF 1 TIMOTHY

Preserve, Protect and Pass on  
the true faith of the gospel of Jesus Christ

## OFFICIAL LETTER TO DISCIPLE

- 1:3 "I urged you ... remain ... in order that you may instruct";
- 1:18, "this command I entrust to you";
- 4:11–16, "prescribe and teach these things";
- 6:13, "I charge you in the presence of God";
- 6:20, "guard what has been entrusted to you"

## ORGANIZE THE HOUSEHOLD OF GOD

- 1 Tim. 3:14-15

These things write I unto thee, hoping to come unto thee shortly:

But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

## ORGANIZE THE HOUSEHOLD OF GOD

- Prayer & Worship
- Role of women
- Qualifications of Officers
- Relationships in church
- Care for widows & needy



Together – Forward for Christ

CHURCH FAMILY  
 CARE  
 COMMUNICATION  
 COMMUNITY  
 CHANGE INTO CHRIST-LIKENESS



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PHILIPPIANS 2:3

Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.

- ἔριθειά = (Aristotle) denotes a self-seeking pursuit of political office by unfair means.  
*strife, contentiousness, selfishness, selfish ambition*

2 Cor 12:20; Gal 5:20; Rom 2:8; James 3:14,16; Phil 1:17

ROMANS 15:20 (ESV)

I make it my ambition to preach the gospel, not where Christ has already been named, lest I build on someone else's foundation

- Φιλοτιμέομαι = *have as one's ambition, consider it an honor, aspire, w. focus on idea of rendering service*

2 Cor 5:9; 1 Thess 4:10-11

“Am I discipling others?”

我有培训他人做门徒吗？

- Point to the person of Christ  
引人认识基督
- Partner to mutually live God's truth  
伴人一同活出神的真理
- Pray for each other's spiritual growth  
祷告彼此在属灵上增长

## MY TRUE SON IN THE FAITH



## MY TRUE DAUGHTER IN THE FAITH



## MY TRUE SON IN THE FAITH

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- Such relationships are true, sincere
- Such relationships are in the family and church family

## MY TRUE SON IN THE FAITH

- 2 Timothy 3:14-15

But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them;

And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

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- 2 Timothy 1:5

When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also.

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- Deuteronomy 6:6-7

And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

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- Acts 16:1-3

Then came he to Derbe and Lystra: and, behold, a certain disciple was there, named Timotheus, the son of a certain woman, which was a Jewess, and believed; but his father was a Greek: Which was well reported of by the brethren that were at Lystra and Iconium. Him (*Timothy*) would Paul have to go forth with him; ...

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- 2 Tim. 3:10-11

But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience, persecutions, afflictions,...

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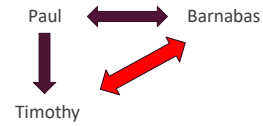
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- Such relationships grow and blossom

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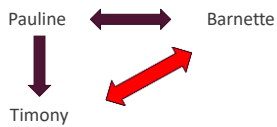
- Romans 16:21

Timotheus my workfellow (*partner*), and Lucius, and Jason, and Sosipater, my kinsmen, salute you.

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IMPACT IS TO MANY

- 1 Tim. 6:21 (ESV)

... Grace be with you (plural). Amen.

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- 1 Timothy 1:2

Unto Timothy, my own (*true*) son in the faith: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord.

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