

TIMOTHY, DEARLY BELOVED SON

II Tim 1:1-7

Intro:

- A. This is the last of Paul's letters.
  - 1. It is written from prison.
  - 2. The date is 64-68 A.D.
  
- B. The signature.
  - 1. Vs 1 "Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ..."
  - 2. "...by the will of God..."
  - 3. "...according to the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus."
  - 4. Paul was called to be an Apostle. It was God's will. He was to, "make known the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus".
  
- C. Vs 2 "To Timothy, my dearly beloved son:..."
  - 1. "Beloved" = αγαπητος = "that which comes from a deliberate decision".
  - 2. "Son" = τεκνον = "that which is born", Here it is a term of endearment".
  
- D. "...Grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord."
  - 1. "Grace" = χαρις = "favor".
  - 2. "Mercy" = ελεος = "help".
  - 3. "Peace" = ειρηνη = "absence of strife".
  - 4. These all come from and have to do with God, not men.

I. Paul Prayed For Timothy. Vs 3

- A. "I thank God, whom I serve from my forefathers with pure conscience,..."
  - 1. "Thank" = ευχαριστω = "to show one's self grateful".
  - 2. "Serve" = λατρευω = "to render service to God".
  - 3. "Pure" = καθαρος = "free from every admixture".

4. "Conscience" = ΣΥΝΕΙΔΗΣΙΣ = "being one's own witness".
  5. "When I serve with a clear conscience in the way my fathers taught me." - KNOX
  6. How did Paul accomplish this? Acts 20:26-27
- B. "...that without ceasing I have remembrance of thee in my prayers night and day;"
1. "Ceasing" = ΑΔΙΑΛΕΙΠΤΟΣ = "without interruption".
  2. "Remembrance" = ΜΕΝΙΑ = "memory", "mention".
  3. "Prayers" = ΔΕΗΣΙΣ = "the expression of need".

### III. The Substance Of Paul's Prayers. Vs 4

- A. "Greatly desiring to see thee,..."
1. "Desiring" = ΕΠΙΠΟΘΕΩ = "to yearn after".
  2. "I have a great longing to see you".
- B. "...being mindful of thy tears, that I may be filled with joy;"
1. "Mindful" = ΜΙΜΝΗΣΚΟΜΑΙ = "to remind one's self".
  2. "...when I remember the tears you shed".
  3. "...that I may feel deep joy".

### III. Timothy Had A Pure Faith. Vs 5

- A. "When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee,..."
1. "Remembrance" = ὙΠΟΜΝΗΣΙΣ = "reminder" It is a word that expresses the use of an external reminder.
  2. "Unfeigned" = ΑΝΥΠΟΚΡΙΤΟΣ = "without hypocrisy" It was true and genuine, unfaked".
  3. "I am calling up memories of your sincere and unqualified..." - AMP
- B. "...which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice;..."
1. "Dwelt" = ΕΝΟΙΚΕΩ = "to live in".

2. "that found a home in".

C: "...and I am persuaded that in thee also."

1. "Persuaded" = πειθω = "to be totally convinced".
2. "...and I surely believe...".

#### IV. Timothy Had A Special Gift. Vs 6

A. "Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God,..."

1. "Remembrance" = αναμνησκω = "to cause to remember".
2. "Stir up" = αναζωπυρω = "to keep at full flame" Fires were never kept at full flame, but as beds of coals. They were then fanned to full flame when needed.
3. "Gift" = χαρισμα = "grace gift".

B. "...which is in thee by the putting on of my hands."

1. "Which came upon you when I laid my hands on you" WMS
2. I Timothy 4:14
3. This was one of the spirituals, perhaps it had to do with ministering.

#### V. Timothy's Gift Was Not Fear. Vs 7

A. "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear..."

1. "Not the spirit of cowardice" - ALF
2. "For the spirit that God has given us does not impart timidity."

B. "...but of power, and of love..."

1. "Power" = δυναμις = "inherent power to perform".
2. "Love" = αγαπης = "love".

C. "...and of a sound mind."

1. σωφρονισμος = "self-discipline", "the power to keep one's self-control", "free from the influence of the excitement of the moment."

2. "But a spirit of power, love, and of self-control"  
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