[2] To Timothy, *my* genuine child in *the* faith:

2. The Recipient

a) His Name: "_____-_____"

b) His Relationship to Paul

c) [His Age]: Late 30s to mid-40s

d) [Paul's Needed Ongoing Input]

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

3. Paul's Blessing to Timothy

a) Three Parts

i) Grace

2 Corinthians 9:8 And God is able to make every **grace** abound to you, so that in everything at every time having every sufficiency, you may have an abundance for every good deed

Titus 2:11-12 For the **grace** of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, [12] instructing us that, denying ungodliness and worldly desires, we should live sensibly, righteously, and godly in the present age

ii) Mercy

Hebrews 4:16 Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive **mercy** and find grace to help in time of need.

iii) Peace

John 14:27 Peace I leave with you; My **peace** I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful.

John 16:33 "These things I have spoken to you, so that in Me you may have **peace**. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world."

Ephesians 4:3 being diligent to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of **peace**.

Philippians 4:7 And the **peace** of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

b) Two Blessers

i) Father God

ii) Christ Jesus our Lord

iii) [Holy Spirit is not emphasized] (background member)

3 As I exhorted you when going to Macedonia, remain on at Ephesus so that you may command certain ones not to teach a different doctrine, 4 nor to pay attention to myths and endless genealogies, which give rise to mere speculation rather than *furthering* the stewardship from God which is by faith.

4. Paul's Instructions to Timothy

a) Prescribed by Geography

i) Stay in Ephesus

ii) While Paul Goes to Macedonia

iii) Multiple directions needed

b) Purpose in Remaining in Ephesus

i) The Command (authority / responsibility | Acts 20)

Acts 20:29-30 "I know that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; 30 and from among your own selves men will arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them.

ii) The Command's Content

(1) Not to be "other-teaching" – _____ information

(2) Not to be pointless teaching – _____ information

(3) Accurate, profitable teaching

John 4:24 "God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and **truth**."

John 8:32 and you will know the **truth**, and the **truth** will make you free.

2 Tim 2:15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, **accurately handling the word of truth**.

James 3:1 **Do not, many *of you*, become teachers**, my brothers, knowing that we will receive a stricter judgment.

iii) The Command's Contrast

(1) Stewardship of God

(2) The "in belief"

5 But the goal of our command is love from a pure heart and a good conscience and an unhypocritical faith. 6 For some, straying from these things, have turned aside to fruitless discussion, 7 wanting to be teachers of the Law, even though they do not understand either what they are saying or the matters about which they make confident assertions.

5. The Outcome of the Command

a) Spiritual Results - Love out of:

i) A pure heart

ii) A good conscience

iii) Sincere belief

b) Shutdown of Deviation

i) Unconscious departure

ii) Unhelpful talk

iii) Unwarranted desire to teach

(1) Speaking without understanding

(2) Asserting without understanding

Takeaway:

Spiritual leaders are assigned by God
to oversee
those that teach
and what is taught,
to please God
through diligent study
through well-trained teachers
through accurate understanding
providing teaching beneficial to believers.

The Responsibility of God's Leaders Over Teachers & Teaching

1Timothy 1:1-7

1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus according to the commandment of God our Savior, and of Christ Jesus, our hope,

1. The Writer

a) His Name

b) His Role

c) His Selection

d) His Commanders

i) God our _____

Titus 3:4-6 But when the kindness and affection of God our **Savior** appeared, 5 He saved us, not by works which we did in righteousness, but according to His mercy, through the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit, 6 whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our **Savior**

ii) Jesus our _____

Romans 15:13 Now may the God of **hope** fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Ephesians 1:18 so that you—the eyes of your heart having been enlightened—will know what is the **hope** of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints

Titus 2:13 looking for the blessed **hope** and the appearing of the glory of [b]our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ

1 Peter 1:3-4 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living **hope** through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 to *obtain* an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and unfading, having been kept in heaven for you

1 John 3:2-3 Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not been manifested as yet what we will be. We know that when He is manifested, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is. 3 And everyone who has this **hope** *fixed* on Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.