



**Discussion Questions**  
***1 Timothy***  
***Introduction***  
***Sermon Date: March 7, 2010***

**Get to know me questions:**

- ❖ Timothy had the influence of his mother and grandmother in his early years and Paul in his later years. Who has influenced you the most in your younger and later days to follow Christ?

**Into the Bible questions:**

- 📖 Read 2 Timothy 1:5 and 3:14-15. What kind of influence did Timothy's mother Eunice and Grandmother Lois have on him? What does this show you about the importance of a mother's (and Grandmothers) influence on her children for salvation and growth in Christ?
  
- 📖 Read 2 Timothy 1:7. Why would Paul write this verse to Timothy? If you were Timothy, how hard would it have been to correct all these problems in the Ephesian church? If God's Word clearly commands us to do something, does God accept the excuse of being afraid?
  
- 📖 Read 1 Timothy 1:11. What did Paul call Timothy? Why is this the greatest compliment somebody could give us?
  
- 📖 In the sermon what was the theme of 1 Timothy (1 Timothy is 3:14-16)? Did Jesus teach this same concept (Mark 7:14-23)? If this is true, can we blame sinful actions on natural temperament? For example: "I have always had a bad temper, that's just who I am."
  
- 📖 Read the following quote from Jensen's Survey of the New Testament.  
*"That an older man should selflessly love, instruct, and have confidence in a youth and then continue to exhibit such close companionship for approximately twenty years is surely admirable. For a young man to respond with similar respect, confidence, and heartfelt admiration, without jealousy, impatience, or resentment is equally commendable. The relationship of these two men is a remarkable display of Christian virtues at their best."*  
Why is it often difficult for the older and younger in a church body to have this kind of relationship?
  
- 📖 Read 2 Corinthians 10:10. What is Paul's physical presence and speaking ability described as? Aside from the marks on Paul record from being a former persecutor of believers, why would God make Paul such a prominent public speaking figure with these strikes against him?
  
- 📖 Do you think it was easier for a professional apostle to obey God when they had received direct Words from God to communicate with people? Do you think it is just as difficult to obey the Words from the scriptures as it was for them receiving it directly from God?

**Application questions:**

- ✓ As timid Timothy needed Paul encouragement to address the issues in the Ephesian church what are some things you need the encouragement of your small group to accomplish?