

September 2014 Theme: "I Thank Christ Jesus Our Lord"

Text: Acts 16, 1 Timothy 1, 2 Timothy 1

"A TRUE SON IN THE FAITH"

(I) TIMOTHY- A DISCIPLE

1. Described as "a certain disciple" (Acts 16:1)

- a) Not well known
- b) One of a number of disciples

2. Background (Acts 16:1)

- a) A Jewish mother who was a believer
- b) Greek father (probably not a believer)

3. Good features (Acts 16:2)

- a) He was well-spoken of by the brethren at Lystra and Iconium
 - i) People bore witness concerning him
 - ii) Many of the brethren commended him
- b) He had good potential

4. Special Discipleship process

- a) Paul wanted to have him on his team (**Acts 16:3**)
- b) He had Timothy circumcised (**Acts 16:3**)
 - i) Timothy was prepared
 - ii) He obeyed

(II) TIMOTHY- A TRUE SON

1. Timothy journeyed with Paul

2. He served with him in the 2nd Missionary journey

3. Paul acknowledged him as a true son

a) A true son (1 Timothy 1:2)

i) Legitimate

ii) Genuine

b) In the faith

i) Faith in the Lord Jesus

ii) Timothy is acknowledged as a true son by Paul

(III) TIMOTHY- A BELOVED SON

1. Timothy had proved himself well

2. He had now become a beloved son to Paul (2 Timothy 1:2)

a) Through time

b) Through service

c) Through experience