



MESSAGE: TIM BARLEY

MUSIC: DAN GILLETTE

DATE: APRIL 18, 2021

BODY BUILDING - 2 TIMOTHY 1:1-7

Why Trust Paul?

2 Timothy 1:1 "Paul, an apostle, by the will of God, according to the promise of the life that is in Christ Jesus."

Galatians 1:1 "Paul, an apostle, **not** sent from men, **nor** through the agency of man, but through Jesus Christ, and God the Father, who raised Him from the dead."

God _____ the content of his _____

Galatians 1:11-12 For I would have you know, brothers, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

1 Thessalonians 2:13 And for this reason we also constantly thank God that when you received from us the word of God's message, you accepted it not as the word of men, but for what it really is, the word of God, which also performs its work in you who believe.

God _____ the authority of his _____.

2 Corinthians 13:10 For this reason I am writing these things while absent, in order that when present I may not use severity, in accordance with the authority which the Lord gave me, for building up and not for tearing down.

God _____ the authenticity of his _____.

2 Corinthians 12:11-12 For in no respect was I inferior to the most eminent apostles, even though I am a nobody. 12 The signs of a true apostle were performed among you with all perseverance, by signs and wonders and miracles.

God _____ the divinity of his _____.

2 Peter 3:15-16 Regard the patience of our Lord to be salvation; just as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given him, wrote to you, as also in all his letters, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which the untaught and unstable distort, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures, to their own destruction.

BODY BUILDING: Elements of Encouragement

Words of _____

2 Timothy 1:2a "To Timothy, my beloved child.."

Statements of _____

2 Timothy 1:2b "Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord."

Heart of _____

2 Timothy 1:3a "I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience..."

Devotion of _____

2 Timothy 1:3b "...as I remember you constantly in my prayers, night and day."

Bond of _____

2 Timothy 1:4 "As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy."

Legacy of _____

2 Timothy 1:5 "I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well."

BODY BUILDING: Vitalizes Salvation, Spiritual Gifts, & Service

Ephesians 4:11-13 And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ; until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ.

"For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God..." (2 Tim. 1:6a)

"...which is in you through the laying on of my hands..." (2 Tim. 1:6b)

"...for God gave us a spirit not of fear..." (2 Tim. 1:7a)

"...but of power..." (2 Tim. 1:7b)

"...and love..." (2 Tim. 1:7c)

"...and self-control." (2 Tim. 1:7d)

Discussion & Reflection Questions

1. What validates the substance of your life and service for God?
2. Have you had a spiritual parent or mentor like Paul? If so, who, and how did that person influence you to love and serve Christ?
If you have influence over others, what are you doing to impart a spiritual legacy, or heritage, to them?
3. Review Ephesians 4:16 – "...from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love."
How does godly body building produce optimal service in the church?
4. Have you identified your spiritual gift(s)? Use the Spiritual Gifts List bookmark and indicate which gifts you have, might have, or don't have. How is or how could the church body benefit from your gift? What barriers prevent believers from using their gift(s) or fanning them into flame?
5. What steps can you take to begin using your gift(s) for the benefit of the church?

SONGS

"God So Loved" - Andrew Bergthold, Ed Cash, Franni Cash, Martin Cash, and Scott Cash

"Forever Reign" - Jason Ingram and Reuben Morgan

"Before the Throne of God Above" - Shane & Shane

"The Stand" - Joel Houston

BUDGET

GIVING LAST WEEK: \$39,144.05
WEEKLY NEED: \$35,272.00

YTD GIVING: \$455,343.69
YTD GENERAL NEED: \$529,080.00