

Bible Training Institute

To proactively accelerate the spiritual growth of Grace Bible Church for the purpose of knowing God more intimately and becoming more effective servants of God in the world

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1 & 2 Timothy Titus

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Introduction

- Author - Paul
- Dates:
 - 1 Timothy - 63
 - Titus - 66
 - 2 Timothy - 67
- Recipients: Apostolic representatives Timothy and Titus
- "Pastoral Epistles" because of recipients but meant for whole church.

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Historical/Theological Themes

- The False Teachers
 - 1 Tim 1:3-11, 18-20; 4:1-10; 6:3-10
 - 2 Tim 2:16-3:9; 4:3-4
 - Titus: 1:10-16; 3:9-11
- The True Teaching
 - "The faith"
 - 1 Tim 1:19; 3:9; 4:1, 6; 5:8; 6:10, 12
 - 2 Tim 3:8; 4:7
 - Titus 1:13

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Historical/Theological Themes

- Sound Teaching (still under "The True Teaching")
 - 1 Tim 1:10; 6:3
 - 2 Tim 1:13; 4:3
 - Titus 1:9; 2:1, 8
- The truth
 - 1 Tim 2:4; 4:3
 - 2 Tim 2:18, 25; 3:7
 - Titus 1:1
- A trustworthy statement (1 Tim 1:15; 3:1; 4:9; 2 Tim 2:11; Titus 3:8)

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Historical/Theological Themes

- These things (still under "The True Teaching")
 - 1 Tim 3:14; 4:6, 11; 5:7; 6:2
 - 2 Tim 2:14
 - Titus 2:1, 15
- Church Leadership (1 Tim 3; Titus 1)
 - Elders to teach and deacons to serve
 - 2 Tim 2:2
- Church Order
 - 1 Tim 2:1-15; **3:14-15**; 4:13; 5:3-22; Titus 2:1-10

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Historical/Theological Themes

- Christian Behavior
 - Faith (not “the faith”) (1 Tim 1:4, 19; 4:12; 2 Tim 1:5; 2:22; 3:10)
 - Faithfulness (1 Tim 1:12; 3:11; 4:3, 10, 12; 5:16; 6:2; 2 Tim 2:2)
 - Godliness (1 Tim 3:16; 4:7-8; 6:3, 5-6; Titus 1:1)
 - Character Qualities (1 Tim 3:2-12; 4:12; Titus 1:6-9; 2:7-8)

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Historical/Theological Themes

- Salvation of God
 - The Father the Savior
 - 1 Tim 1:1; 2:3; 4:10; Titus 1:3; 2:10; 3:4
 - Jesus Christ the Savior
 - 2 Tim 1:10; Titus 1:4; 2:13; 3:6
 - Save, Salvation
 - 1 Tim 1:15; 2:4, 15; 4:16
 - 2 Tim 1:9; 2:10; 3:15; 4:18
 - Titus 3:5

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Purposes

- 1 Timothy -- Paul exhorted and instructed Timothy (and the Ephesian church) to stop the influence of false teachers and restore order in the Church.
- 2 Timothy -- Paul appealed to Timothy to carry on the ministry of the Gospel after Paul’s death.
- Titus -- Paul exhorted and instructed Titus (and the Churches of Crete) to stop false teachers in the Churches.

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Interpretive Issues

- Instruction to Women of 1 Tim 2
 - For Ephesus only?
 - Universal instruction for church (a created order reason)
- Saved through child-bearing (1 Tim 2:15)
 - Kept safe?
 - Delivered from the errors of 2:11-12?
 - Saved through child birth of Christ?
 - Saved in being a godly woman and rearing godly children?
 - She shows she is saved in being a godly woman

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Interpretive Issues

- Savior of All Men (1 Tim 4:10)
 - God will save all people?
 - God desires to save all people?
 - God is the potential Savior of all people?
 - God is the Savior of all sorts of people?
 - God is the Savior of all believers
- Elders' children - "are believers" or "are faithful"? (Titus 1:6)

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What the Pastorals Tell Us About Church Leadership and Structure

- Teach the truth and rebuke the false
- Motivated by love for the whole church
- Proper order and behavior of members
- Authority structure and respect for it
- Instruct with all authority
- Leaders are to be tested and approved
- Leadership tracks who is committed
- Leaders are to pursue godliness
- Guard the deposit of sound teaching
- Sound doctrine = teaching sound behavior
- Train men
- Preach the Word

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