

"Ministry" Keys to Longevity I Timothy 1:1-4

## Ministry that:

**I. A**cknowledges – "by the commandment of God " (vs. 1-2) *Acknowledging our:* 

- A. Hop\_\_\_\_\_ "God our Savior, and Lord Jesus Christ our hope"
- B. Ho\_\_\_\_\_- "Unto Timothy, my own son in the faith"

C. H\_\_\_\_\_ – "grace, mercy, and peace from God"

II. Abides – "to abide still at Ephesus" (v. 3) *Abiding with:* 

- A. De\_\_\_\_\_ "As I besought thee"
- **B.** Di\_\_\_\_\_\_that they may charge some"

III. Applies –"Neither give heed" (v. 4) Applying by:

- A. Eng\_\_\_\_\_\_ "to fables and endless genealogies"
- **B.** En\_\_\_\_\_ "which ministers questions"
- *C. E*\_\_\_\_\_ "rather than godly edifying which is in faith"

## Sentence Sermon

Longevity comes from being able to love others with the overflow of my relationship with Jesus.

## Additional Verses

Acts 20:27
I Corinthians 14:26
Titus 2:13-14
John 15:1-8
I Timothy 4:7
II Corinthians 8:23
Philippians 2:19-22
I Timothy 6:20
Acts 16:1-5

## Questions to Ponder

- 1. What are the key words or phrases in this passage?
- 2. Who are the central characters of the passage?
- 3. Why was Paul the perfect person to encourage Timothy in ministry?
- 4. Why does Paul start his letter with his credentials?
- 5. Who is our savior and hope, God or Jesus?
- 6. How is Timothy Paul's son in the faith? (Acts 16:1-3)
- 7. What is the significance of grace, mercy, and peace in Paul's greeting?
- 8. What do you think is the reason that Jesus addressed as Lord in vs. 1 & 2?
- 9. What positive results are there from "abiding" in a ministry for a long time?
- 10. What "other" doctrines are so bad that they should be left untaught?
- 11. According to this passage, are there bad questions? Why are they bad?
- 12. What are some of the priorities of those who would do ministry?