

# It's All About The Gospel

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**Sermon Theme – Church leaders must lead God's people to persevere in and through the gospel in the face of false teachers and wrong doctrine. What's critical is that we understand, celebrate, and fight for the gospel.**

## **I. Overview Questions – The Book of 1 Timothy**

A. Read through the book of 1 Timothy and write down the repeated words?

Repeated Words

Verse References

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B. Read through the book of 1 Timothy and write down the repeated themes?

Repeated Themes

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## **II. We Must Understand The Gospel – Read 1 Timothy 1:1-11**

A. What do you know about Paul and Timothy? What qualifies Paul to write Scripture?

B. What false doctrines seem to be threatening the church at Ephesus? How about our church?

C. How are the false teachers in Ephesus misusing the law? How do we use the law lawfully?

## **III. We Must Celebrate The Gospel – Read 1 Timothy 1:12-17**

A. What is the value in remembering what you were before you came to faith in Christ?

B. What components are critical to the gospel? How would you state the gospel in one sentence?

C. Are you ever stirred to worship by thoughts of God's grace in your life? What types of study, meditation, or worship produce the greatest response? How often do you practice them?

## **IV. We Must Fight For The Gospel – Read 1 Timothy 1:18-20**

A. Do you personally know any church leader who has wandered away from the faith? What temptations did he or she give in to? What temptations are you most vulnerable to?

B. What dangers exist for a person who does not realize that there's a battle raging for their soul?

C. What are the best ways for you to fight for the gospel in your own life? In the life of the church?