

## The Priorities of a Pastor

1 Timothy 1:1-11 // Brian Bolton // 9.16.18

3. Why does Paul prioritize love as the goal of all his teaching?
4. According to Paul in this passage, what does it mean to use the Law in a lawful manner today (see Galatians 3:19-25; Romans 7:7, 12)? How had these false teachers incorrectly used the law?
5. Why would Paul mention this issue in the beginning of the letter and repeatedly throughout? How does their teaching undermine the “glorious gospel of the blessed God?”
6. My summary title: \_\_\_\_\_  
use your own words to create a title that communicates the main idea of this week’s passage

### Application

1. How does our church or your group of friends get caught up in fruitless discussions that distract you from the essentials of the faith?
2. Can you think of any examples within our Christian community of man-made standards that we use to judge a person’s spiritual maturity?
3. After praying to God for conviction and insight, what concrete changes do you feel you should make this week to live a life which honors God’s Word we study in 1 Timothy?
4. Who will hold you accountable next week to see if you’ve followed through?

Check out “One to One Bible Reading” by David Helm to learn more about the COMA Bible Study method.

1. Stay \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Tim 1:3)
2. Teach the \_\_\_\_\_ (Tim 1:3b)
3. Remember the \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Tim 1:5)
4. Uphold the \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Tim 1:8-11)
5. Fight the \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Tim 1:18-20)

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# GROWTH GUIDE // September 16-22, 2018

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## What is a Growth Guide?

This a tool to help you grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ.

## How do I use the Growth Guide?

- Use the front of the guide to take notes from Sunday's message. If you miss a message watch it online.
- Use this guide as a personal study tool, read the scriptures, answer the questions.
- Take the "Growth Guide" with you to your growth group. During Growth Group you dive into the guide deeper together with others and you grow together.

## What's a Growth Group?

Growth Groups are sermon-base small groups that meet primarily in homes. To join a group, visit [mycpointe.com/growthgroups](http://mycpointe.com/growthgroups)

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During this season of Growth Groups were using the Growth Guide as a tool to teach you an effective way to study and apply the Bible to life. The guide is put together in a study method called COMA.

**C - Context:** You will be asked questions to help you think about what's the setting of the scripture and what's taking place during the time of the writing.

**O - Observation:** Questions will lead you to think about main points, big ideas, surprises, key words or interesting facts.

**M - Meaning:** These questions will help you wrestle with the meaning of the passage. The goal is to discover what God wanted us to understand.

**A - Application:** In this time of learning you will be challenged to think about how you apply God's word to your everyday living.

This week we're looking at the first 11 verses of 1Timothy again. These verses are very important to understanding Paul's letters to Timothy. In this guide we're focusing in on the OBSEVATION and APPLICATION part of COMA.

Our observations might identify people, places, or events, point out repeated words of key terms, record important connections between words and sentences, or even point out something missing that we expected to see.

Prayerfully read the whole letter again. This helps to get a good overview.

## Observation

### Read 1 Timothy 1:1-11

1. List any themes or big ideas you see in this passage.
2. List at least one observation for each of these verses.

vs 1-2

vs 3-5

vs 6-7

vs 8-11