

Family

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Message Title: More Than Just Good

Message Text: 2 Timothy 1:1-6, 3:14-17

Introduction:

Our world suggests that primary purpose of parenting is to raise children who can function in society as adults and make positive contributions to it. Many parents prioritize achieving financial independence and career satisfaction as goals for their children. While achieving these goals may be good, biblically minded parents will have a higher goal for their children. Let's consider the life of Lois, Eunice and Timothy in the Bible and gain a higher goal as parents and as a church family.

1. A Personal _____ (2 Timothy 1:5)

2 Timothy 1:3–6 I thank God, whom I serve from my forefathers with pure conscience, that without ceasing I have remembrance of thee in my prayers night and day; 4 Greatly desiring to see thee, being mindful of thy tears, that I may be filled with joy; 5 When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also. 6 Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

DEFINITION—UNFEIGNED FAITH: unhypocritical; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed.

DEFINITION—DWELT: to exist or be situated within.

LOIS — EUNICE — TIMOTHY

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Luke 18:8 I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?

Hebrews 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

2. A Parental _____ (2 Timothy 3:15)

2 Timothy 3:14–15 But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them; 15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures...

NOTE — Even though Timothy's dad was not a follower of Christ (Acts 16:1), his mother and grandmother were and were consistent in teaching Timothy God's Word.

DEFINITION—CHILD: the time of person's life when they are an (unweaned) child; *infancy to weaning*

DEFINITION—KNOWN: to be aware of a fact (cognitive)

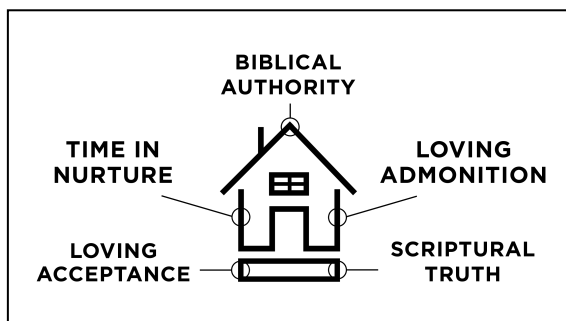
2 Timothy 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

DOCTRINE — What is right

REPROOF — What is wrong

CORRECTION — How to make it right

INSTRUCTION IN RIGHTEOUSNESS — How to keep it right



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3. A Personal _____ (2 Timothy 3:15; 1:5)

2 Timothy 3:15 ...which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

2 Timothy 1:5 When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also.

NOTE — Paul visited Lystra on his first missionary journey and faced severe persecution.

Acts 16:1 ...Timotheus, the son of a certain woman, which was a Jewess, and believed...

1 Timothy 1:2 Unto Timothy, my own son in the faith: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord.

NOTE — Lois and Eunice's faith became Timothy's faith.

Romans 10:17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

Mark 8:36 For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?

4. A Proactive _____ (Acts 16:1-2)

Matthew 28:19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

DEFINITION—TEACH: make disciples (committed followers of Jesus Christ)

Acts 16:1-2 Then came he to Derbe and Lystra: and, behold, a certain disciple was there, named Timotheus, the son of a certain woman, which was a Jewess, and believed; but his father was a Greek: 2 Which was well reported of by the brethren that were at Lystra and Iconium.

DEFINITION—WELL REPORTED: to be approvingly testified of; to be or become affirmed favorably by firsthand authentication.

BRETHREN — the other believers within the church family

NOTE — The local church was key part part of Timothy's spiritual development.

5. A Practical _____ (Acts 16:3)

Acts 16:3 Him would Paul have to go forth with him; and took and circumcised him because of the Jews which were in those quarters: for they knew all that his father was a Greek.

TIMOTHY TRAVELED WITH PAUL

NOTE — Timothy was about 16 year old and Lois and Eunice allowed him to journey with Paul.

1 Samuel 1:28 Therefore also I have lent him to the Lord; as long as he liveth he shall be lent to the Lord. And he worshipped the Lord there.

2 Timothy 3:10–11 But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience, 11 Persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions I endured: but out of them all the Lord delivered me.

TIMOTHY PARTNERED IN THE MINISTRY

1 Thessalonians 3:2 And sent Timotheus, our brother, and minister of God, and our fellowlabourer in the gospel of Christ, to establish you, and to comfort you concerning your faith:

Philippians 2:19–20 But I trust in the Lord Jesus to send Timotheus shortly unto you, that I also may be of good comfort, when I know your state. 20 For I have no man likeminded, who will naturally care for your state.

Conclusion

Our prayerful goal should not be just to raise _____ children,
but _____ children.



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