

LETTERS TO LEADERS

Timothy, Titus & Philemon Wednesday, November 10, 2021 • Pastor Josiah

Text: 1 Timothy 1:12, 18-19

Introduction:

GOSPELS—narratives surrounding the life and ministry of Jesus

ACTS—Jesus continued through the lives of His followers and His church

ROMANS-THESSALONIANS — the Word of God is the solution to every problem the church faced.

1. 1 Timothy

THEME:
1 Timothy 3:15 But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.
BIG PICTURE: How a spiritual leader should lead to cultivate a Christ honoring church environment of doctrine and care.
NOTES: Written AD 64 just prior to Paul's final imprisonment.
PASTOR EPISTLES:,
EMPHASIS — sound doctrine, church worship, church
, personal life, and church



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2. 2 Timothy

	THEME: Ministry
	BIG PICTURE: God's Word holds us faithful in service until He comes.
	2 Timothy 2:3 Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.
	NOTES: Written AD 66-67 during Paul's final imprisonment just before death.
	EMPHASIS — enduring hardness, boldness, faithfulness, preaching, teaching and the of error.
3.	Titus
	THEME: Church
	BIG PICTURE: The setting in of God's church.
	Titus 1:5 For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee:
	NOTES: Written AD 64
	Titus was a believer. He was Paul's disciple who grew into maturity and leadership.

EMPHASIS — Godly life, character, o	church relationships,
living in society.	

4. Philemon

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BIG PICTURE: Christ enables me to forgive those who have sinned against me and allow them the same grace I have received.

Philemon 15–16 For perhaps he therefore departed for a season, that thou shouldest receive him for ever; 16 not now as a servant, but above a servant, a brother beloved, specially to me, but how much more unto thee, both in the flesh, and in the Lord?

NOTES: Written AD 60 to a member of the church at Colosse named Philemon. It is a private letter to a friend.

STORY: Onesimus was a servant in the household of Philemon, a Christian man. Onesimus had stolen from Philemon and run away. He fled to Rome where he met Paul and heard the gospel and was saved! Paul writes to Philemon regarding Onesimus' salvation and sending him back to Philemon, not as a servant, but as a brother. He asks Philemon to accept him as a brother and forgive him and to allow the past to be forgiven.

EMPHASIS - Forgiveness, barriers, _____ in that the Apostle Paul had the credibility to address this situation between these two men.

Conclusion:

- 2 Timothy 2:1-2 Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. 2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.
- 2 Timothy 1:6-7 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. 7 For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

