**OUTLINE OF I TIMOTHY**

**I. Salutation (1:1-2)**

**II. Confronting False Teaching with the True Gospel (1:3-20)**

A. The charge to deal with false teachers (1:3-11)

B. Paul: an example of the effect of the true gospel (1:12-17)

C. Restatement of the charge to deal with false teachers (1:18-20)

**III. Gospel-Shaped Living, Part 1 (2:1-3:16)**

A. Authority of the state; authority in the church (2:1-15)

B. Qualifications for overseers (3:1-7)

C. Qualifications for deacons (3:8-13)

D. The goal: proper conduct in God's household (3:14-16)

**IV. Identifying False Teaching and the True Gospel (4:1-16)**

A. How to identify false teachers (4:1-5)

B. How Timothy should be shaped by the gospel (4:6-16)

**V. Gospel-Shaped Living, Part 2 (5:1-6:2a)**

A. Respectful dealing with church members by age and gender

(5:1-2)

B. Honoring widows (5:3-16)

C. Honoring elders (5:17-25)

D. Honoring masters (6:1-2a)

**VI. Confronting False Teaching Again (6:2b-21)**

A. False teachers and greed (6:2b-10)

B. Timothy's behavior in contrast (6:11-16)

C. Charge to the rich (6:17-19)

D. Closing exhortation to Timothy (6:20-21)

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The Church:

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The Ephesian Church:

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Goal of Letter:

**I. What should a leader Teach?**

* False teaching 1 versus the gospel: Chapter 1:3-17
* False teaching 2 versus the gospel: Chapter 4:1-5
* The leader with right living and right doctrine: Chapter 4:16

**II. Who should have authority?**

* Relationship of government authority to the church: Chapter 2:1-2
* Relationship of women to the church: Chapter 2:9-15
* The character of elders and deacons in the Church: Chapter 3: 1-16

**III. How should we live and relate to one another in the church?**

* Generations and gender: Chapter 5: 1-2
* Widows, proper and improper: Chapter 5: 3-16
* Elders: Chapter 5: 17-20
* Slaves: Chapter 6: 1-2
* Final warning against money-loving teachers: Chapter 6:3-10

**Conclusion:**

* Paul's Summary: Chapter 6:20-21