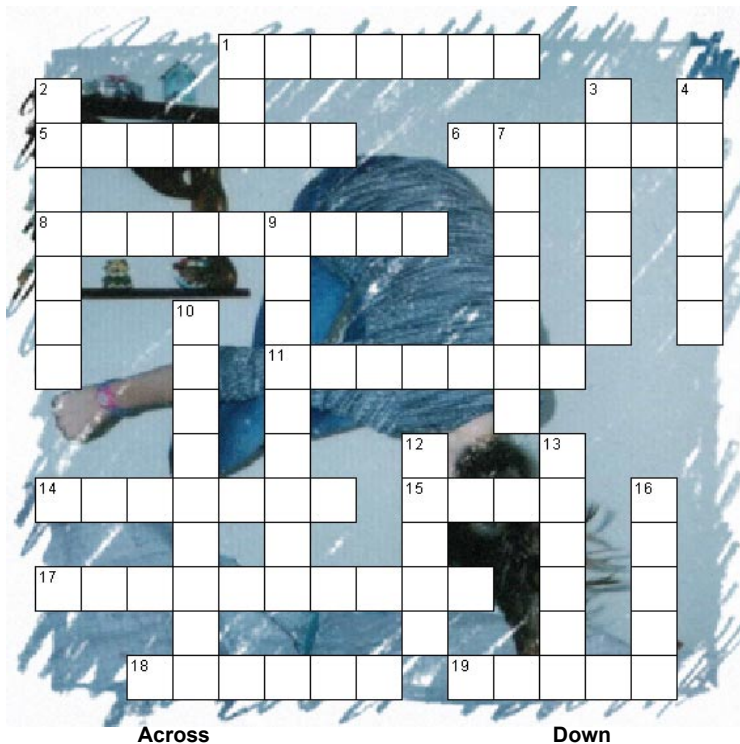


# Crossword Puzzle

## God's Calling in the New Testament

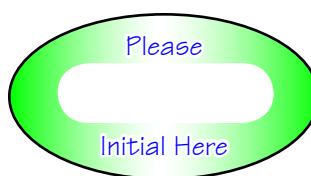
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### In Acts – Timothy



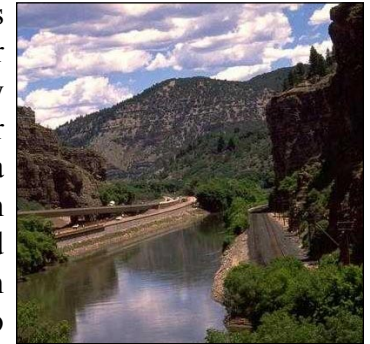
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| 1. ...much useful ____ to the Lord...                                       | 1. Timothy was Paul's spiritual ____.                                   |
| 5. ...we can see the value of what we are taught... by our ____.            | 2. The ____ Paul.   |
| 6. Timothy's mother.  | 3. ...upright and respectable Christian ____.                           |
| 8. Timothy was Paul's ____ son.   | 4. ...God's ____ worker...  |
| 11. Paul's spiritual son.   | 7. ...____ and respectable Christian...                                 |
| 14. Timothy was greatly ____ by his mother's teaching.                      | 9. In the entire New ____...  |
| 15. Timothy's grandmother.  | 10. ...upright and respectable ____ living.                             |
| 17. Timothy was taught from the ____.                                       | 12. ...prepare us for much useful service to the Lord when we are ____. |
| 18. In the ____ New Testament, you can find nothing negative about Timothy. | 13. ...prepare us for much ____ service...                              |
| 19. ...we can see the ____ of what we are taught... by our parents.         | 16. ...he could ____ in the same way as Paul.                           |

**Parent's Initials:**



### I. Overview.

**W**hen Paul and Silas traveled in Asia for the Gospel, they met a young brother named Timothy. Timothy lived a godly life. He had been raised from the time he was a baby to know and love the Scriptures. He was known by brothers even in other cities to be a fine, faithful young man.



Though Timothy was quite young, he had an excellent testimony among the brothers.

We don't know exactly how old Timothy was when Paul met him, but he must have been quite young, perhaps not even twenty. Paul asked Timothy to join them in their ministry work. Little did Paul know that this young man would become his closest co-worker and serve him faithfully to the end. Timothy was not bold and fearless like Paul and Peter were. Rather, he was somewhat timid and fearful. He often needed Paul's encouragement and leadership. But Timothy was faithful and sincere. He loved God's word and became one with Paul in such a way that Paul could send him to labor when Paul himself could not go.

### II. Memory Verse.

**"Let no one despise your youth, but be a pattern to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity."**

(1 Tim. 4:12)

### III. Lesson.

Like Timothy, we should all learn the Lord's Word and live a faithful Christian life while we are young. In this way we will be very useful to the Lord when we grow up. Timothy probably had no idea that all the time he was taught in God's word by his mother and grandmother would prepare him to work so closely with one who was probably the topmost apostle.



Timothy served faithfully with Paul in the work of the ministry.

#### Timothy was Blessed to be Taught in His Youth

Timothy was greatly blessed by his mother's teaching. Eunice was Timothy's mother. Lois was his grandmother. Lois had faithfully taught her daughter Eunice, imparting faith through God's Word. Eunice, in turn, taught Timothy from the Scriptures, even from the time he was a baby. Through this kind of faithful teaching, a strong faith was imparted into Timothy. This caused him to love God's Word and to have a very upright and respectable Christian living.

When Paul came to Derbe, he met Timothy. Even though Timothy was quite young, the brothers in Lystra and Iconium spoke highly of him. Paul decided to take Timothy with him to assist in the work. From that time forward Timothy served faithfully with Paul. In the entire New Testament, you can find nothing negative about Timothy. Paul spoke of him in genuine and loving terms – as his own spiritual son. Paul trusted him to carry out the work in exactly the same way that Paul himself would do. Paul even called him "God's fellow worker in the gospel of Christ." Even at the end of Paul's life, when all others had left him, Timothy remained faithful to him unto the end.

### We Can Learn from Timothy

As young people, we can learn much from Timothy. First, we can see the value of what we are taught about God and about His Word by our parents. We see that we can learn to know and love God's word. Additionally, we can see that when we live a faithful and upright Christian life when we are young, it will prepare us for much useful service to the Lord when we are older.

Timothy also shows us that when we learn from older ones, it is best if we learn how to do things the way we are shown. Timothy was faithful to use the ways that Paul taught him so that he could serve in the same way as Paul. This was very useful.

### --- Questions for Discussion ---

1. When did Paul meet Timothy?  
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2. Who were Eunice and Lois and what did they do for Timothy?  
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3. What kind of things did Paul say about Timothy?  
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4. Does the Bible say anything negative about Timothy?  
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