

*Paul's Letter to  
the Disciple*



# I Timothy

*The Man of God*

*(Part Two)*

# 1 Tim. 6:11-16

## 1. The Man of God (11-15a)

- His Focus, Fight, Foundation, Faithfulness

## 2. The God of Man (15b-16)



## *Review*

### 1. The Man of God's:

- *Focus*: Run vigorously away from sin and run diligently toward holiness
- *Fight*: preach the unadulterated truth; fulfill your ministry; don't *shrink* or *shirk*
- *Foundation*: live out your eternal life now



# 1. The Man of God's *Faithfulness*

- *I charge you*
- *To pass on an announcement;  
to advance an order or command*
  - *Instruct(ion)* (1:3, 5; 6:17), *prescribe* (4:11; 5:7), *command* (1:18)
  - The correct course of action
  - Binding, expected; duty



# 1. The Man of God's *Faithfulness*

- *I charge you*

- *In the presence of – in the face of,  
in the sight of, before*

- *God and Christ Jesus – as witnesses to the  
charge and its execution (cf. 5:21; 2 Tim.  
4:1)*



# 1. The Man of God's *Faithfulness*

- *I charge you*

- *God, who gives life – makes alive or preserves life -> 'no need to fear death'*

- *The good confession – see John 18:33-38*

- In the face of death, Jesus did not waver from or compromise the truth

- Model / example (1 Pet. 2:21-25)



# 1. The Man of God's *Faithfulness*

- *Keep the commandment*

- *Which commandment? Only one?*

1. The *instructions* given in 6:11-12

- *Flee, pursue, fight, take hold*

2. His *commission* (see 1 Tim. 1:1, 18)

- Can mean *charge, instruction, direction*  
(see Acts 17:15)



# 1. The Man of God's *Faithfulness*

- *Keep the commandment*

- *Which commandment? Only one?*

3. *The Gospel* (see 1 John 3:23; 2 John 6; 2 Pet. 2:21; 3:2; cf. John 12:49-50)

- *The Law of Christ* (1 Cor. 9:21; Gal. 6:2)

- *Man of God* is always associated with *the word of God* (cf. 2 Tim. 3:16-17)





# 1. The Man of God's *Faithfulness*

- *Keep the commandment*

- *Keep – protect, guard*

1. *Without stain – unblemished* (external -> conduct; see 2 Pet. 3:14)

2. *Without reproach – unrebukable; blameless irreprehensible* (1 Tim. 3:2; 5:7; cf. 3:7, 10; 5:14)



# 1. The Man of God's *Faithfulness*

- *Keep the commandment*

- *Keep – protect, guard*

3. *Until the appearing of our Lord – the Second Advent (2 Thess. 2:1-11; Titus 2:13; 2 Pet. 3:3-4)*

- Culmination of the 'times of the Gentiles' (Luke 21:24-28; Rom. 11:25-27)



## 2. The God of Man

- *Gives life to all things*
  - He is the *Creator* (Gen. 1:1)
    - See Neh. 9:5-6
  - He is the *Sustainer* (Ps. 121:1-2; Acts 14:17)
  - He gives *new life* (John 5:21)



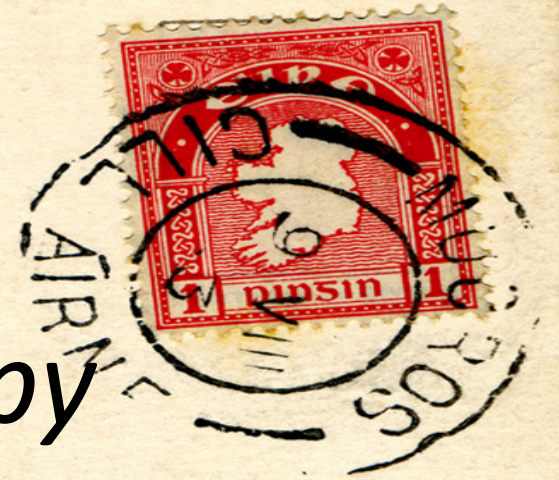
## 2. The God of Man

- *The blessed and only Sovereign*
- *Sovereign – possessor of power or authority; absolute ruler*
  - He alone is God (Isa. 43:10-13)
  - In charge! – “which He will bring about at the proper time”
    - Power, authority, wisdom, ability



## 2. The God of Man

- *The blessed and only Sovereign*
  - *Blessed – content, fulfilled, happy*  
(Gen. 14:19-20; Ps. 41:13)
    - And He blesses (Ps. 40:4; Matt. 5:3-11)
  - *Only – He has no rival or equal* (Isa. 44:6-8; Deut. 4:35, 39; Ps. 18:31)
    - His will/plan cannot be thwarted



## 2. The God of Man

- *The blessed and only Sovereign*
- *King of kings and Lord of lords*
  - See 1 Tim. 1:17
  - OT: cf. Deut. 10:17; Ps. 136:2-3
  - NT – also of Jesus (Rev. 17:14; 19:16)
    - Points to Jesus' deity



## 2. The God of Man

- *Who alone possesses immortality*
  - *Without death; deathlessness*
  - God is *unable to die* because He inherently possesses life (John 5:26)
    - But He does share it (1 Cor. 15:53-54)
  - Cf. 1 Tim. 1:17 *immortal = incorruptible – exempt from wear, waste, decay*



## 2. The God of Man

- *Dwells in unapproachable light*
- Utterly *holy; inaccessible* to man
  - We only know Him because He has revealed Himself to us (cf. Rom. 1:19-20)
  - We can only approach Him through His Mediator (1 Tim. 2:5)





## 2. The God of Man

- *Dwells in unapproachable light*
  - *Whom no man has seen or can see*
- Not apprehended by the senses (John 1:18)
- We cannot see Him as He is (Ex. 33:19-20)
  - But won't the pure in heart *see* God?  
(Matt. 5:8; cf. 1 Cor. 13:12)
    - Limited to what we can handle



## 2. The God of Man

- *To Him be honor*
  - Respect, reverence, esteem
- *To Him be eternal dominion*
  - *Manifested power, power in action* (see 1 Pet. 5:5-11)
- Amen - *truly; so be it*



## So What?

- We have been given a great task:
  - To *preserve* the gospel
    - *The whole purpose of God* (Acts 20:27)
    - *Without stain or reproach*
    - *Do not add to it or take away from it* (cf. Deut. 4:2; 12:32; Prov. 30:5-6; Rev. 22:18)



## So What?

- We have been given a great task:
  - To *proclaim* the gospel
    - God desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth (2:4)
    - Make disciples (Matt. 28:19-20)
    - Be ready to give a defense for the hope you have (1 Pet. 3:15)



## So What?

- 2 Pet. 1:2-3; 3:17-18
- True knowledge of God should motivate us to pursue godliness
  - God gives life! -> Don't fear death
  - God is Sovereign! -> Don't worry
  - God is blessed! -> Don't be discouraged
  - God is holy! -> Pursue righteousness

