







STAGE SETTING:

Paul is writing from prison in Rome, awaiting his expected execution (1:8, 16; 2:8-9; 4:6-8) – this is like “a letter from death row.” Imprisoned in Rome once again, Paul this time faces harsh treatment: He is kept in chains (1:16; 2:9) in a cold dungeon (4:13) that his friends can barely locate (1:17).

This letter is from Paul, chosen by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus. I have been sent out to tell others about the life he has promised through faith in Christ Jesus. – 2 Timothy 1:1

STAGE SETTING:

Paul is writing to his young apprentice, Timothy, whom he has deep affection for

I am writing to Timothy, my dear son. May God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord give you grace, mercy, and peace. – 2 Timothy 1:2

STAGE SETTING:

Paul expresses the deep emotion of being separated from Timothy...and longs to be with him again (1:4). Paul is lonely and feels abandoned (1:15; 4:9-10; 4:16). He is getting cold in the dungeon and urges Timothy to come before winter (4:21) and bring the warm coat he left at Troas, and his books and parchments (4:13).

Timothy, I thank God for you—the God I serve with a clear conscience, just as my ancestors did. Night and day I constantly remember you in my prayers. I long to see you again, for I remember your tears as we parted. And I will be filled with joy when we are together again. – 2 Timothy 1:3-4

A LOOK BEHIND THE CURTAIN:

5 I remember your genuine faith, for you share the faith that first filled **your grandmother Lois and your mother, Eunice**. And I know that same faith continues strong in you. 6 This is why I remind you to fan into flames the spiritual gift God gave you when I laid my hands on you. 7 For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline.
 – 2 Timothy 1:5-7

**BEHIND THE CURTAIN WE SEE...
 SPIRITUAL MODELING:**

Paul's memory directs our eyes and our attention to the solid example of Timothy's mom and grandmother!

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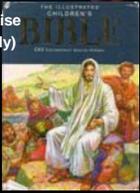
Modeling Action Steps:

Live out a faith that permeates your whole life. Don't compartmentalize your faith, so that it's only associated with your time at church on Sundays.

Give them a chance to see you engaged in spiritual exercise

- Reading Bible for devotions (personally and as family)
- Prayer as a part of family practice
- Faith as a priority in the family schedule and rhythm

Show how you handle crisis



**BEHIND THE CURTAIN WE SEE...
SPIRITUAL MODELING:**

Timothy followed the pattern of his mentors and he began to live out the real faith on his own.

Would Paul be persuaded by your faith???

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**BEHIND THE CURTAIN WE SEE...
SPIRITUAL INVESTING**

Theme of spiritual investing oozes through the pages of Scripture...

- Lois and Eunice...
- Jesus with his disciples...
- Proverbs...
- So many more...

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What are examples of SPIRITUAL INVESTMENT & CONVERSATIONS that we can share with our “young Timothy’s?”

Use teachable moments to share about life and faith
...Talk about them when you are at home and when you are on the road, when you are going to bed and when you are getting up...
 - Deuteronomy 6:7

Allow them to ask deep, hard questions

Help them connect with “faith influencers”
 5:1 principle – 5 adults pouring into 1 child/youth

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Build spiritual “rites of passage”

Provide resources for them to grow spiritually

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VISIONEERING CHARGE:
Keep stoking your SPIRITUAL FIRE

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VISIONEERING CHARGE:
Keep aiming toward dynamic
SPIRITUAL VIRTUES

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DESTRUCTIVE VIRTUES...

What is the “negative magnet” or “false pull” that may be tugging at the young person in your life? What confused or misdirected virtues may they be attracted to follow?

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DYNAMIC VIRTUES...

Paul speaks 3 dynamic virtues into young Timothy! It’s the magnetic pull he wants to see this young man headed towards!

What values and virtues would we speak into our kids and our youth today?

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A MOTHER'S DAY Example from Proverbs 31:
3 Dynamic Virtues passed onto King Lemuel from his mother

CHARACTER – Don't get sidetracked with lust and the pursuit of sexual immorality"

CONVICTION – Don't get sidetracked with drunkenness and the pursuit of the wild life

COMPASSION – Defend the defenseless; speak up for the powerless

What virtues and values are you speaking into your child? Or the young people around you?

Do you have a picture of the kind of person you want them to become??? What targets do you have in mind for your child or young person you are pouring into?

What qualities do you want your kids to possess when they graduate from high school?

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...instead USE them!!!



**USE YOUR LIFE TO BUILD A
LEGACY!!!**
