Liop and Lamb Apologetics 1 TIMOTHY AN OVERVIEW

Purpose

To give encouragement and instruction to Timothy concerning issues that were arising at the church in Ephesus.

Author

Paul

Date

Probably written about AD 64 just prior to Paul's final imprisonment in Rome.

Audience

To Timothy, young church leaders and all believers everywhere

Setting

Paul left Timothy in Ephesus, with the specific charge to deal with some false teachers in the church. Since Paul was then separated from Timothy and the church, he wrote back to him with further instructions. He hoped to return for a visit but wrote in the meantime to address the way in which Christians should behave.

Special Features

First Timothy is a personal letter and a handbook of church administration and discipline.



Key Verses

"For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus." (2:5 ESV)

"For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs." (6:10 NIV)

"But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses." (6:11-12 ESV)

Key People

Paul, Timothy

Key Place Ephesus