

Joy for All Seasons: Generations Together

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Sons of the Faith & Daughters in the Faith

- Philippians 2:19-24
- Acts 16:1-3

Timothy is described as...

- A Helper (Acts 19:22).
- A Co-worker (Romans 16:21).
- “My son whom I love” (I Cor. 4:17).
- “our brother” (II Cor. 1:1).
- A servant of Jesus Christ (Philippians 1:1).
- “My true son in the faith” (I Timothy 1:2).
- A man of God (I Timothy 6:11).

What Does Paul Say about Timothy?

- He looks out for the church’s interest.
- He genuinely cares for the good of others.
- He lives what Paul is writing to the Philippians.
- He has proved himself faithful.
- He has been like a son to Paul in the work of the gospel.

Paul Rejoiced in Timothy’s Life

- A wise son brings joy to his father (Proverbs 10:1a)
- The father of a righteous child has great joy; a man who fathers a wise son rejoices in him. (Proverbs 23:24)
- A man who loves wisdom brings joy to his father (Proverbs 29:3a)
- Recalling your tears, I long to see you, so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also. (I Timothy 1:3-5)

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 - **Good Example**
Acts 13:36
 - **Bad Example**
Heb. 3:7-11
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3. Older generations are to tell the stories of God to the younger generations.
Younger generations are to ask the older generations about the stories of God.
(*Psalm 78 and Deut. 32:7*)

Hearing the Stories

- Ps. 78:1-7
- Deut. 32:7