Lesson 1 - <u>1Timothy Chap.1.</u>

The healthy Church, the Church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of truth, must be built upon the pure teaching of Scripture.

Outline of the text:

1-2 Grace and peace from God our Savior and Christ, our hope
3-4 I have left you in Ephesus to command some not to teach others wrong teachings
5-7 True teaching is verified by its fruits
8-11 The true teaching is verified by the way it uses the Law
12-17 The true teaching offers total rehabilitation in Christ
18-20 True Teaching Warns of the Danger of Falling Out of Faith

1. In verse 1, Paul calls himself an apostle, although he was not one of the 12 apostles originally chosen by Jesus. How did he get into this position? Why use it from the beginning?

As in Corinth, Ephesus had all kinds of false teachings preached by false teachers. People came to be baffled by all of the many teachings. To help them discern well, Paul appeals to his apostolic authority.

2. According to verse. 2-7, where do the doctrines of false teachers come from? What are the results of the distorted doctrine?

3. What is the goal (outcome) of healthy learning? What are the three areas from which it springs? Briefly define each of these areas.

What is the result of preaching your faith? How can you personally protect yourself from false teaching?

True teaching is verified by its fruits. Even the law can be misused. Love must be the ultimate attitude for which you do anything.

4. In v. 11-17, Paul presents himself as the greatest sinner, but saved and, moreover, placed in the office of an apostle. Why do you think Paul is characterized like so?

5. Paul emphasizes that he was saved for a ministry. Do you have a job in God's church? If God has revealed the Gospel to you, the sound teaching, what is your ministry in which He has placed you, and what are you doing about it?

6. God is our Savior. Jesus Christ is our hope. Salvation is by the grace of God, by faith. What are we told about faith in the last 3 verses?

A healthy church must be built on the teaching that proclaims:

- the grace that God has given us in Christ;
- the imperative to obey the faith;
- the danger of losing faith.

7. How does understanding these truths change your life? What are your struggles to keep the faith?

Do not forget! The object of the commandment is love: By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

Final application: What were you left with after studying this lesson — what did God speak to you personally?

- Encouragement that encourages you;
- Promises whose fulfillment you pray for;
- Examples to follow;
- Warnings to keep in mind;
- Sins to avoid or confess.
- Commands to listen to;

Bring that thing into prayer and apply it in your life.

As a result of this study, I will:

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HOW? - Cum?

WHEN - Când?