

EAT THIS BOOK



WEEK SEVEN

DAY FORTY THREE

1 Timothy 1

Content

Timothy is facing problems in Ephesus with false teachers spreading error, primarily using single women to propagate these falsehoods. Paul shows him how to lead the church through this problem. He primarily addresses leadership issues. In Ch 1 he states the purpose of Timothy's time in Ephesus & reaffirms the great gospel of grace he preaches.

Reflections

Why do Christians believe lies? How can you stop the infiltration of deception into your thoughts & practices?

Strategic prayer

Jesus, I want the truth. Keep me from deceit, deception & lies.

DAY FORTY FOUR

1 Timothy 2

Content

Prayer, men & women – 3 key issues. Paul wants men praying. He wants the women learning in submission. These scriptures must be understood in their context of the drastic circumstances facing Timothy ie false teachers propagating lies, especially through prayerless men & vulnerable women.

Reflections

How can prayer make a difference when deception & lies are being planted in peoples minds?

Strategic prayer

Lord Jesus, anoint my prayer life with fresh oil.

DAY FORTY FIVE

1 Timothy 3

Content

Leadership is the problem, leadership is the answer. Paul wants godly leaders to take their place in the church, giving proper & firm leadership to the believers.

Reflections

Why is leadership so important in a church? How can you better support the leadership of our church?

Strategic prayer

Father, give our leaders wisdom, strength, anointing & supernatural power to lead the church.

DAY FORTY SIX

1 Timothy 4

Content

Paul outlines some details of false teachings. Forbidding & abstaining are key values in all religious deceptions. The apostle's antidote lies in Timothy's adherence to private & public spiritual disciplines.

Reflections

Contemplate the pattern you set for other believers in speech, love, life, faith and so on.

Strategic prayer

Pray through vs11-16.

DAY FORTY SEVEN

1 Timothy 5

Content

Paul corrects another anomaly in this church – the care of widows. He gives specific instructions as to the pastoral care of these women.

Reflections

Why is Paul concerned about this group of people in the church? What relation does this have with the issue of false teaching?

Strategic prayer

Jesus, open my eyes to see how I can minister to those less fortunate than myself.

DAY FORTY EIGHT

1 Timothy 6

Content

Paul addresses significant financial values. He exhorts Timothy to not neglect this key topic but to command those who have financial resources to sue them appropriately for the Kingdom & the church.

Reflections

Why do people believe churches shouldn't talk about money?
Contemplate some of the things Paul writes about money.

Strategic prayer

Lord Jesus, I place my financial world into your hands. Prosper me so I can prosper the Kingdom.

DAY FORTY NINE

2 Timothy 1

Content

This personal letter is an apostolic appeal to a younger leader, his son in the faith Timothy. Paul is nearing the end of his life & pens this impassioned call to Timothy to give himself unreservedly to ministry to the church. In Ch 1 he exhorts him to stand strong against fear, embracing the call of God.

Reflections

How will you ensure you stay faithful to the call until the end?

Strategic prayer

Holy Spirit, I trust you to complete the work you've begun in me.