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Timothy Genuinely Cares

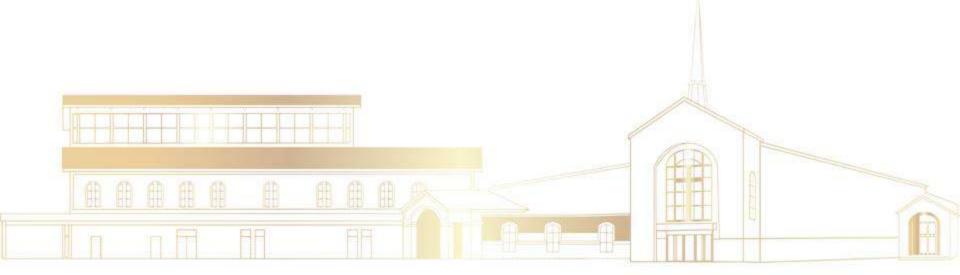
Philippians 2:19-24



¹⁹ But I trust in the Lord Jesus to send Timotheus shortly unto you, that I also may be of good comfort, when I know your state. 20 For I have no man likeminded, who will naturally care for your state. 21 For all seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ's. 22 But ye know the proof of him, that, as a son with the father, he hath served with me in the gospel. 23 Him therefore I hope to send presently, so soon as I shall see how it will go with me. 24 But I trust in the Lord that I also myself shall come shortly.

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Timotheus/ Timothy Why the difference?





Aa

Τιμόθεος

Transliteration

Pronunciation

Timotheos

tē-mo'-the-os (Key)

Part of Speech

Root Word (Etymology)

proper masculine noun

From $\tau\iota\mu\dot{\eta}$ (G5092) and $\theta\epsilon\dot{\delta}\varsigma$ (G2316)

KJV Translation Count — Total: 28x

The KJV translates Strong's G5095 in the following manner: Timotheus (19x), Timothy (9x).



Acts 16:1

 Then came he to Derbe and Lystra: and, behold, a certain disciple was there, named Timotheus, the son of a certain woman, which was a Jewess, and believed; but his father was a **Greek:**



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Timothy is a 3rd generation Christian (2 Tim 1:5)

2 Timothy 1:5

 When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also.

2 Timothy 1:5 (ESV)

 I am reminded of YOU'r sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well.



- Unfeigned
- Sincere
- Authentic
- Genuine
- Real
- Pure
- Unadulterated
- Legitimate

aith

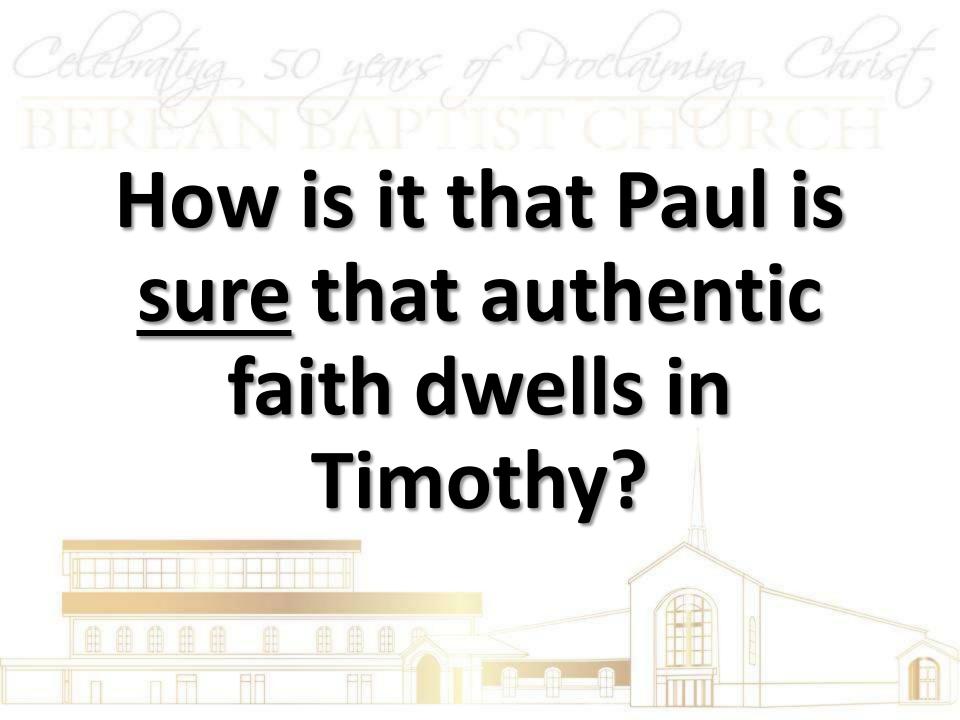
Faith **Faith**



2 Timothy 1:5 (ESV)

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Quite Simply Timothy's Life



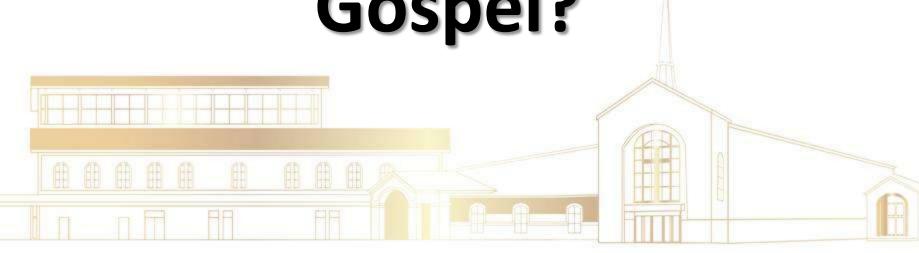
Timothy

Came to have Faith



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When did you come to have faith in God, His Word, His Christ and His Gospel?



Do you believe

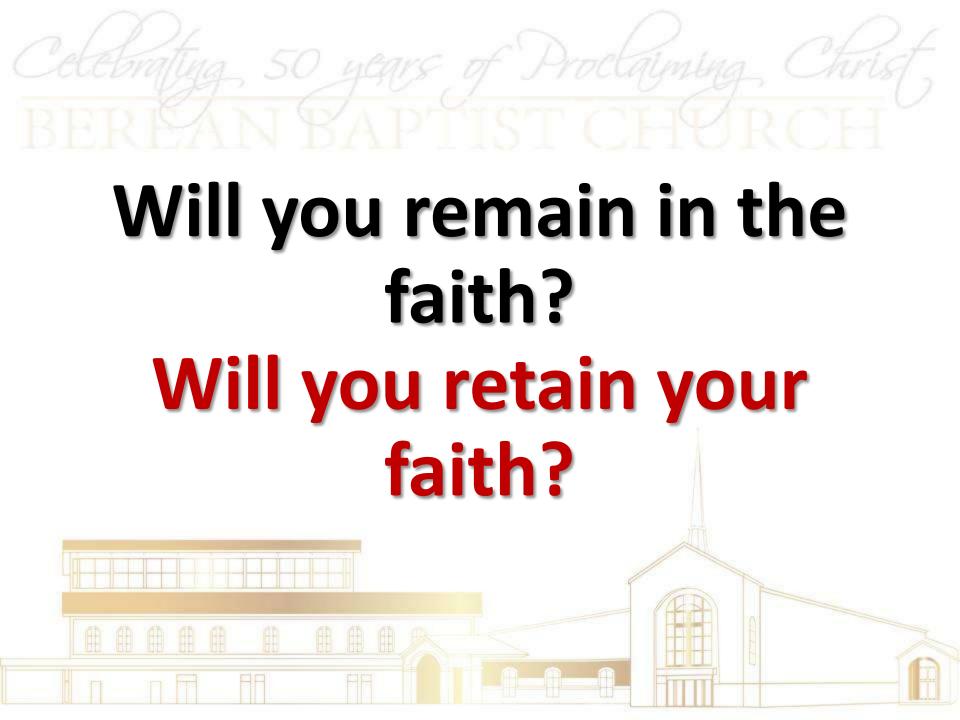
- There is a Creator God in Heaven?
- God revealed Himself and His will to humanity with words in the Bible?
- God sent His Son—Jesus—who is the Christ of the OT?
- Jesus died for YOUR sins and rose again on the third day?
- Jesus is coming again to judge the living and the dead?

Timothy

- Came to have Faith
- Remained in the Faith

Paul would not be sending him Philippi if he did not retain the faith.





Timothy

- Came to have Faith
- Remained in the Faith
- Grew in the Faith



Philippians 2:20



•For I have no one like him, who will be genuinely concerned for your welfare.



Are you **growing** in your faith and the faith?

Timothy

- Came to have Faith
- Remained in the Faith
- Grew in the Faith
- Served in the Faith



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Do you **SCIV**e in the faith?

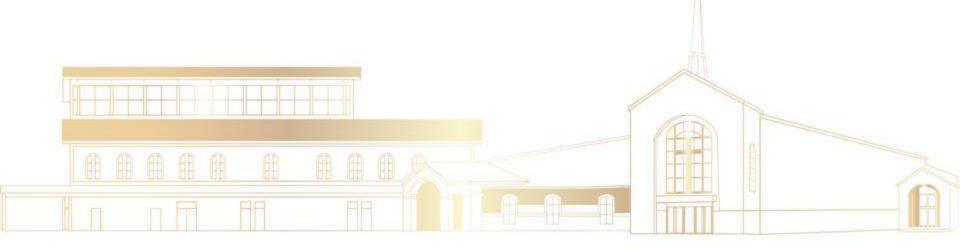
1 Corinthians 16:10

• When Timothy comes, see that you put him at ease among you, for he is doing the work of the Lord, as I am.



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Are you doing the work of the Lord?



1 Thessalonians 3:2 (ESV)

and we sent Timothy, our

brother and God's

COWORKET in the gospel of Christ, to establish and exhort you in your faith,



Let me ask the same question differently:

Would anyone know you are in the FAITH at work?

Or

Do you do your work as though it is the work of the Lord?

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Notice how others are doing matters to Paul.



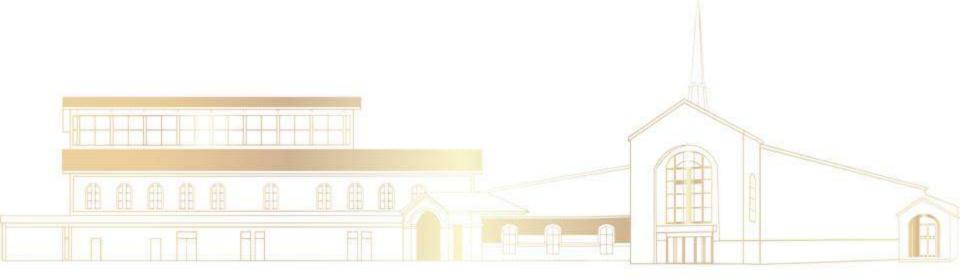
Philippians 2:19 (NKJV)



 But I trust in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you shortly, that I also may be encouraged when I know your state.

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V. 20 sets Timothy Apart



Philippians 2:20 (ESV)



- •For I have no one like him,
- •who will be genuinely concerned for your welfare.

For I have no man likeminded, who will naturally care for your state.

For I have no one like him, who will be genuinely concerned for your welfare. For I have no one like-minded, who will sincerely care for your state.

For I have no one else of kindred spirit who will genuinely be concerned for your welfare.

For there is no one here like him who will readily demonstrate his deep concern for you.

Welfare Defined

1: <u>the state of doing well</u> especially in respect to good fortune, happiness, well-being, or prosperity

2 a: aid in the form of money or necessities for those in need

b: an agency or program through which such aid is distributed



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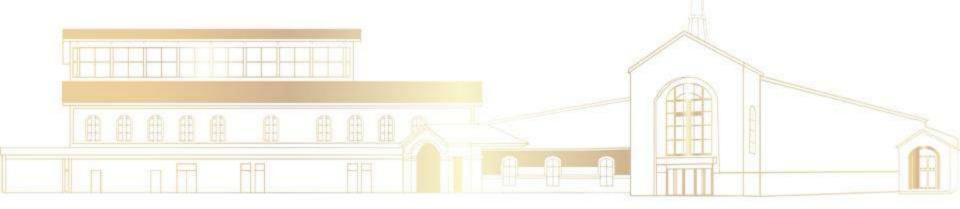
Paul is NOT talking about a government program.

But it is worth mentioning now.



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Welfare was created because Americans' were concerned for the welfare of others.





Welfare Programs Give Christians the opportunity to love their neighbor as themselves.



What does John 13:35 teach us?



John 13:35

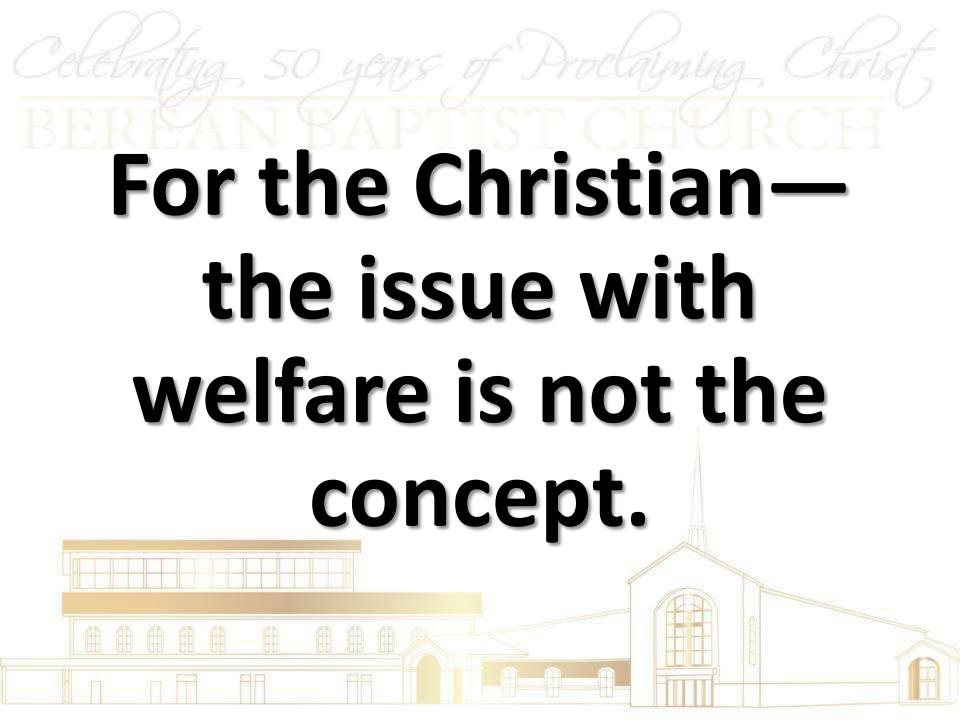
• By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.



1 John 3:17

 But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him?



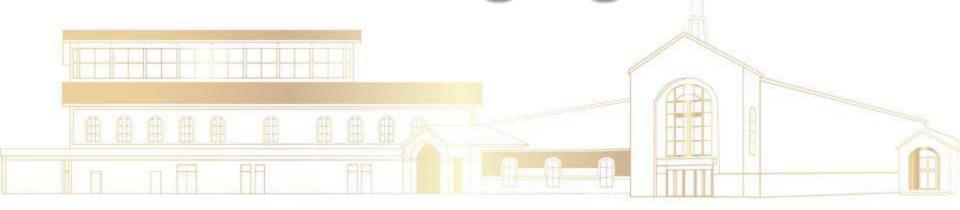


The Issue w/ Welfare

- Is NOT Welfare
- Is the overspending
- Is the abuse and bureaucracy
- Is the laziness and dependency it can create and encourage
- Is the lack of work ethnic associated w/ the program

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Berean's benevolence ministry is all about concern for the welfare of the congregation.



Philippians 2:20 (ESV)



•who will be genuinely concerned for your welfare.

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I think Paul is primarily concerned about their spiritual well-being.

Hebrews 13:17

 Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you.



Spiritual Well-being

 Today, I wrote about my concern for the spiritual wellbeing of some in our own congregation who seem to be walking away from the faith and for others who I wish I had more assurance were in the faith.

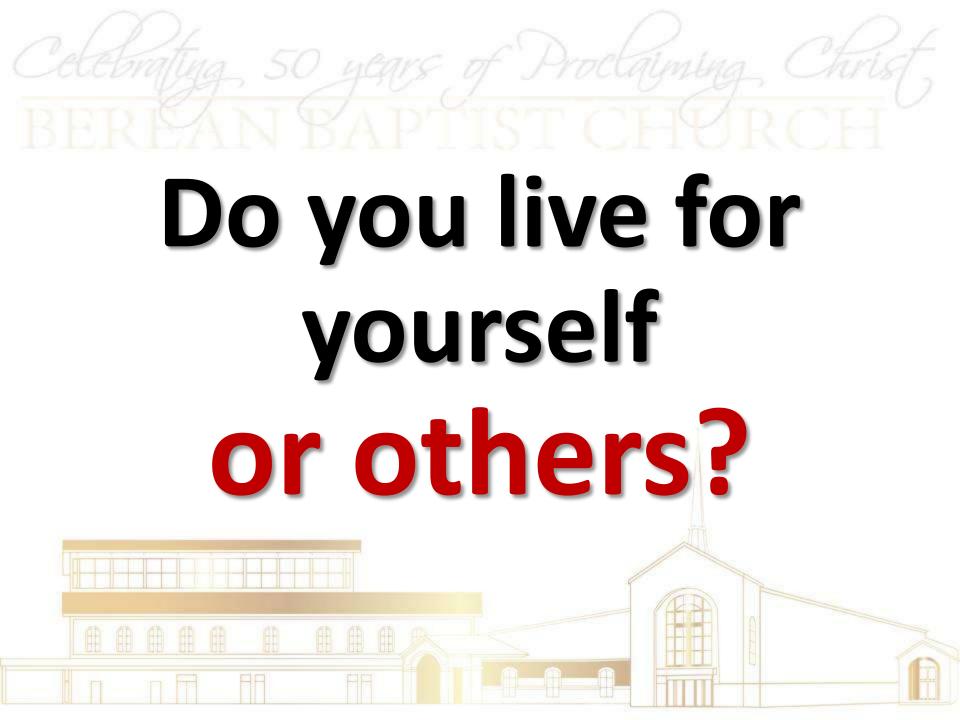
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Philippians 2:21 (AV/ESV)



• For all seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ's.

• For they all seek their own interests, not those of Jesus Christ.



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Turn to Matthew 25:31ff



31 When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: 32 And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: 33 And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. 34 Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: 35 For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: 36 Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me.



³⁷ Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? 38 When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? 39 Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? 40 And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.



Galatians 6:10

• As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all *men*, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.





 But ye know the proof of him, that,

ESV

 But you know Timothy's proven worth,

KJV Translation Count — Total: 7x

The KJV translates Strong's G1382 in the following manner: proof (3x), experience (2x), trial (1x), experiment (1x).

Outline of Biblical Usage [?]

- L proving, trial
- //. approved, tried character
- ///. a proof, a specimen of tried worth

Strong's Definitions [?]

(Strong's Definitions Legend)

δοκιμή dokimḗ, dok-ee-may'; from the same as G1384; test (abstractly or concretely); by implication, trustiness:—experience(-riment), proof, trial.





 But ye know the proof of him, that, as a son with the father, he hath served with me in the gospel.





• Him therefore I hope to send presently, so soon as I shall see how it will go with me.



 But I trust in the Lord that I also myself shall come shortly.