People You Need in Your Life Who's Your Timothy: A Mentee

(1 Timothy 1:2)

- Introduction: 1. Have you ever wanted something very much?
 - 2. Ills. Man who applied for a vacancy... "I refer to the recent death of the technical manager of your company and hereby apply for the replacement of the deceased manager. Each time I apply for a job at your company, I get a reply that there is no vacancy. But in this case, I have caught you red-handed, and you have no excuse because, I even attended the funeral to be sure that he was truly dead and buried before applying. Attached to my letter is a copy of my resume and his death certificate."
 - 3. Sometimes, we find ourselves wanting things for other people, but what we want may never be realized if we don't take action.
 - 4. (1 Timothy 1:2).
 - 5. One's deathbed is no place for regret.
 - 6. We need to pull someone younger than us, closer to us, and help to mentor them as Paul did Timothy (2 Timothy 2:2).

I. Paul Took the Initiative

- A. (Acts 14:19-20; 16:1-3).
- B. Paul didn't wait for Timothy to approach him.
- C. To whom are you passing your legacy?
- D. Ills. Of Jester talking to King.
- E. We should all want to outlive our years.
 - 1. Think of Christians who have outlived themselves.
 - 2. While we may not be remembered by name, God will remember us.
- F. How can we do this? What does it look like?

II. Moses and Paul

- A. (Numbers 27:16-23).
 - 1. Encouragement.
 - a. Joshua knew what Moses thought of him (Numbers 27:18).
 - b. Timothy knew what Paul thought of him (Acts 16:1-3).
 - 2. Credibility.
 - a. The people knew what Moses thought of Joshua (Num. 27:19).
 - b. The people knew what Paul thought of Timothy (1 Cor. 4:17).
 - 3. Give Responsibility.
 - a. Moses gave Joshua some of his authority (Num. 27:20).
 - b. Paul gave Timothy work to do (1 Thess. 3:1-2).
- Conclusion: 1. Who's your Timothy?
 - 2. We have been provided a biblical plan, we just need to work it.