



Outline – Saturday Men’s Meeting, June 03, 2017

Sermon Title: Fan the Flame

Topic: Using the Gift

Text: 2 Timothy 1:1-6

1. A Pastor’s epistle but an exhortation to believers none the less.

- a) Stir it up Timothy! Remain faithful, a God ordained ministry, suffer with patience, heretics will arise.

You have the gift. (James 1:12/Rev 2:10) (Is 43:10/1 Cor 9:14) (Acts 5:41 is how that’s done Acts 9:16) (Heb 13:9/Gal 1:6-7/2 Tim 4:3-4)

- b) Timothy’s acknowledgment of Paul as an Apostle and the gospel baton being passed to him by God’s sovereign purpose. (Luke 7:13/Acts 9:15/Eph 1:11-12)

- c) This is the message and promise for life (eternal).

(1 John 5:11-12/Gal 2:20/John 5:24)

2. Paul, an affectionate teacher, loves Timothy to where he considers him his son. vs 2-3

- a) Timothy never refers to Paul as Father, yet The Apostles refer to believing Christians as children. (Gal 4:19/1 John 2:1/3 John 4) (Matt 23:9)

- b) Worshiping in The Spirit, examples and a clear conscience. Clear before men because of loving Christ wanting his Glory and preaching the truth in sincerity.

(Heb 10:22/Rom 9:1-2) not forgetting Rom 7

- c) Mindful and praying, marks of genuine friendship. (Thess 5:17-18/Phil 4:6/1 Sam 12:23)

3. Family, family indeed! vs 4-5

- a) True concern, an attribute of Christ made through being conformed to his likeness.

1 Peter 5:7/Ps 55:22/Rev 21:4 (Matt 12:48) Rom 8:28-29/1 Cor 15:49

- b) Unfeigned (an-oo-pok’-ree-tos) (Strong’s 505) Un-wavering, no hypocrisy.

4. Putting Timothy in remembrance, why? Fan the flame, you have the (charismata) gift! God has his hand on you.

- a) The Presbytery, body of elders in representation of God who called Timothy to the ministry of the gospel. 1 Tim 4:14/1 Cor 12:1-11
- b) All believers have the most important gifts: Grace and Faith, stir it up now, fan that flame! An imperative. John 5:25/1 Peter 5:10/Rev 17:14
- c) Do not neglect the means of grace that will help fan the flame: Bible study, prayer and fellowship. 1 Tim 4:13/Col 4:2/Heb 10:25

Conclusion: Brothers and Sisters, we have been warned that because of the increase of wickedness in these last days, the love of many will grow cold. We must fan the flame, for we who believe have the gift. Let us strive to not be a frozen chosen but warm each other to love and good works, mainly preaching Christ as all. He is our greatest example of fanning the flame, truly stirring up the gift.