

# 1 Timothy 1:11-16

LESSON 06

## *Paul's Pattern*

### 1. 1 Timothy 1:8-11 – The Purpose of the Law

- a. The law is a stick that keeps order; but we are not under its jurisdiction
- b. Paul is not making a distinction here between moral/ceremonial law
- c. Grace is not your excuse, grace is your example – grace is how you live
- d. The only good use of the law today is to bring us to Christ – Gal 3:24
- e. We no longer live by the law, but by Christ, crucifixion, resurrection – 1 Cor 2:2

### 2. 1 Timothy 1:11-12 – Paul's gospel

- a. Paul's "my gospel" shows up multiple times – Rom 2:16, 16:25, 2 Tim 2:8
- b. That is not all... 1 Cor 9:16-17, Eph 3:1-2, Gal 1:8, 2:7, 1 Tim 1:11, 1 Ti 2:7, Ti 1:3
- c. Paul's apostleship is a testimony of the risen Lord – 1 Cor 15:15
- d. The glorious gospel is that of grace – Acts 20:28; 2 Cor 4:3-6
- e. "*counted me faithful*" – Faithful to what? To God's grace – Eph 3:7-9; 1 Cor 15:9-10

### 3. 1 Timothy 1:13-14 – Paul's Conversion

- a. Saul/Paul's salvation testimony is unique and the pattern for this disp. of grace
- b. Paul's testimony shows up multiple times – Acts 9:1-16; 22:1-21; 26:1-23
- c. 1 Timothy links Paul's later ministry to his early ministry as does – Gal 1:15-16
- d. "*last of all...out of due time*" – Saved not according to prophecy - 1Cor 15:8, Ga 1:11
- e. His conversion is unique in that he blasphemed – but was shown all grace
- f. "*who was before*" – This is what we know by grace: we are changed
- g. "*grace of our Lord*" – In Paul's salvation grace was abundant – Rom 5:20
- h. Paul was not repentant or walking in obedience or devout to the Lord

### 4. 1 Timothy 1:15-16 – Paul's Pattern

- a. 4 Faithful sayings – sinner 1Ti 1:15; crucified 1Ti 4:9; risen 2Ti 1:11; charity Ti 3:8
- b. "*in me first*" – He is the first in the Body of Christ, preach the mystery, first...
- c. First can be in time (1 Tim 1:16), place (1 Cor 3:10), authority (2Co 11:5, 12:11), or importance (Col 1:25; Rom 11:13), priority (Gal 2:6)
- d. "*for a pattern*" – of what? Salvation, gospel, doctrine, purpose, position – 2Ti 3:10
- e. Though he is last and least, his pattern and purpose are first – Eph 3:8-9
- f. "*follow me*" – Paul presents himself as a pattern - 1 Cor 4:15; 1 Cor 11:1; Phil 3:17