

1 Timothy 1:3:16



## **Context**

Paul urges Timothy to remain at Ephesus in order to appoint leadership and charge **certain persons** not to teach.

These "certain persons" were wrapped up in the <u>myths</u>, religious <u>babble</u> and <u>genealogies</u> of the day.

All of which promoted confusion and speculation rather than faith.

### **The Aim**

Paul is saying this to **love** on these people.

They have swerved from a pure <u>heart</u>, good <u>conscience</u>, and sincere <u>faith</u> into vain things.

They want to teach the <u>law</u>, but they don't even <u>understand</u> the law is to point out their sin.

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If used correctly, the law is **good**!
It shines light on my **sin** and need for a **savior**.

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shall have no other gods

for the ungodly and sinners

shall not make for yourself a carved image unholy and profane

shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain those who strike their fathers and mothers

honor your father and mother

for murders

shall not murder

the sexually immoral, men who practice homosexuality

shall not commit adultery

enslavers

shall not steal

liars and perjurers

shall not bear false witness

whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine

you shall not covet

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The law should direct me to abandon my sin, not cover it up or revel in it.

This is **sound doctrine** in accordance with the Gospel.

## The Gospel

Jesus came to save <u>sinners</u>, "of whom I am the **foremost**".

That should be the **position** and **testimony** of every believer.

I was <u>dead</u> in my sin.

Jesus brought me to life! We all like sheep have gone <u>astray</u>, Jesus brought me back!

# (V16) I received mercy that Jesus might be glorified.