

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the
command of God our Savior and of Christ
Jesus our hope,

To Timothy my true son in the faith:

Grace, mercy and peace from God the
Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. Timothy

Charged to Oppose False Teachers

As I urged you when I went into

Macedonia, stay there in Ephesus so that
you may command certain people not to
teach false doctrines any longer

Some have departed from these and have turned to meaningless talk. They want to be teachers of the law, but they do not know what they are talking about or what they so confidently affirm.

1 Timothy 1:1-7

Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity. Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to preaching and to teaching. Do not neglect your gift, which was given you through prophecy when the body of elders laid their hands on you.

Be diligent in these matters; give yourself wholly to them, so that everyone may see your progress. Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them, because if you do, you will save both yourself and your hearers.

1 Timothy 4:12-16

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1 Timothy 4:12

Praying for the next generation:

- Praying for speech

“Nor should there be
obscenity, foolish talk or
coarse joking, which are out of
place, but rather thanksgiving.”

Ephesians 5:4

“Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.”

Ephesians 4:29

Praying for the next generation:

- Praying for speech
- Praying for conduct/wisdom

“in whom are hidden all the
treasures of wisdom and
knowledge.”

Colossians 2:3

Praying for the next generation:

- Praying for speech
- Praying for conduct/wisdom
- Praying for love and faith.

Jesus replied: “ ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’

This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”

Matthew 22:37–40

“For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.”

Ephesians 2:8–9

“Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God,
the Lord is one. Love the Lord your
God with all your heart and with all
your soul and with all your strength.
These commandments that I give you
today are to be on your hearts.

Deuteronomy 6:4–9

Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates."

Deuteronomy 6:4–9

Praying for the next generation:

- Praying for speech
- Praying for conduct/wisdom
- Praying for love and faith
- Praying for purity

“How can a young person stay on
the path of purity?

By living according to your word.

I seek you with all my heart;
do not let me stray from your
commands.

I have hidden your word in my
heart
that I might not sin against you.”

Palm 119:9–11

“Flee the evil desires of youth and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.”

2 Timothy 2:22

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