

# Paul, People and Passion

*Counsel From A Missiologist*

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Grace and peace to you...



# 2 Timothy 1:1-10















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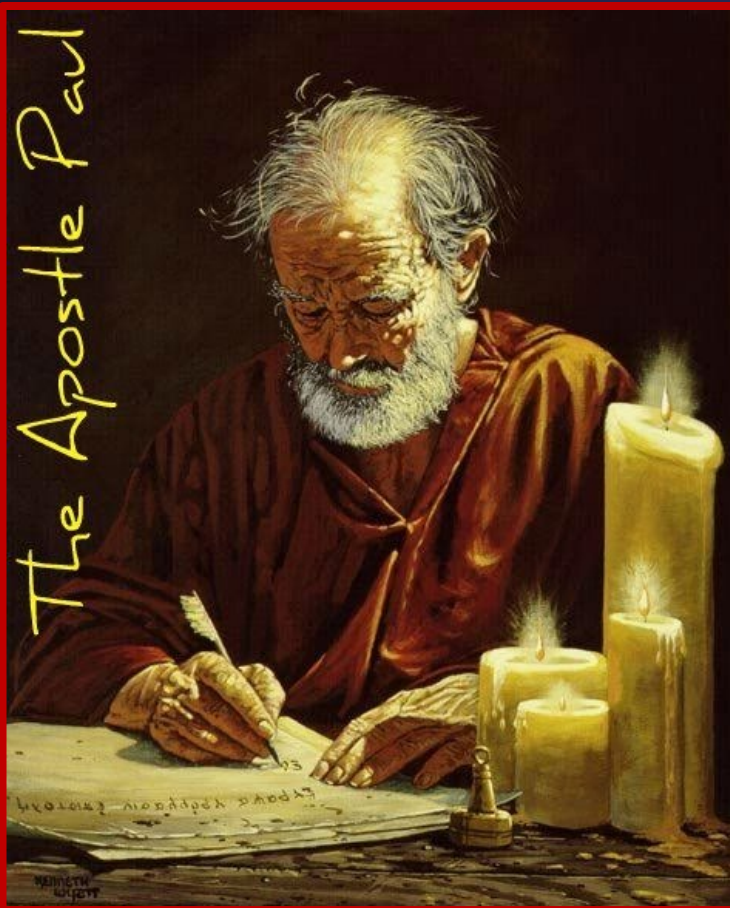


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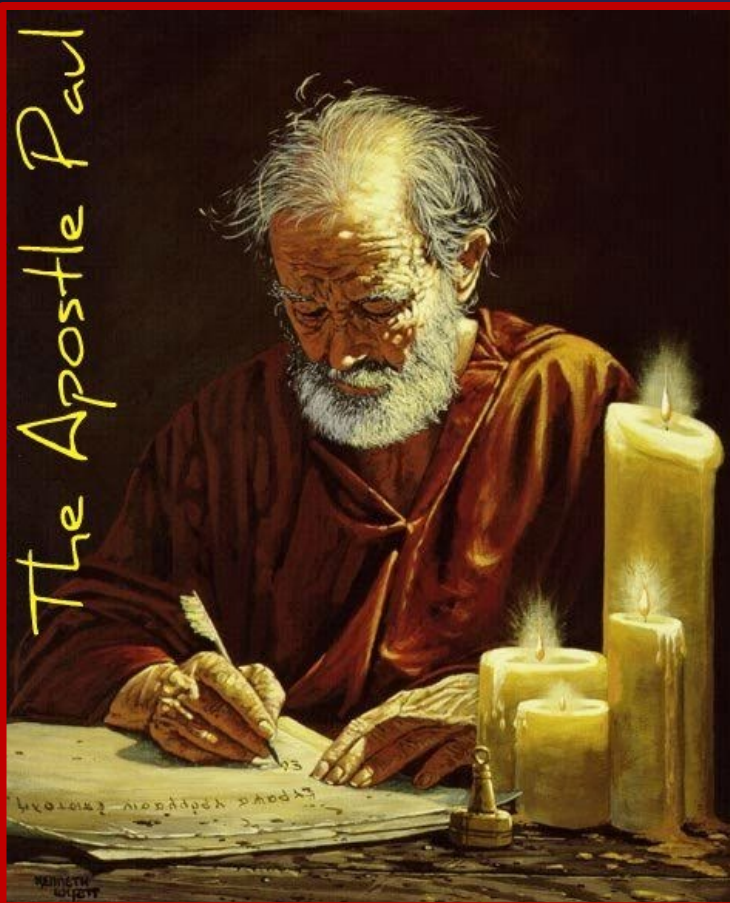


From the Book of Acts and the Pastoral Epistles we see the Apostle Paul as the Master Missionary / Missiologist who counsels us this morning.



## 2 Cor. 11:25-29; Paul has the Credentials

<sup>25</sup> "Three times I was beaten with rods; once I was stoned; three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I have been in the deep; <sup>26</sup> *in* journeys often, *in* perils of waters, *in* perils of robbers, *in* perils of *my own* countrymen, *in* perils of the Gentiles, *in* perils in the city, *in* perils in the wilderness, *in* perils in the sea, *in* perils among false brethren; <sup>27</sup> in weariness and toil, in sleeplessness often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness—  
<sup>28</sup> besides the other things, what comes upon me daily: my deep concern for all the churches.



“If you want a human example as a leader and worker for God, you cannot find a better one than the Apostle Paul. He is one of my heroes and human role model.”

*Delbert W. Baker*



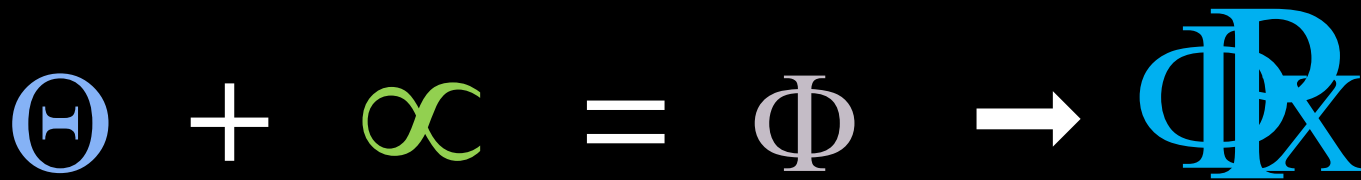
# WHO (AND WHAT) IS A MISSIOLOGIST?

# Definition of “Missiology”

Missiology is the **science of missions**.  
It includes the formal study of  
the *theology of mission*,  
the *history of missions*,  
the concomitant  
*philosophies of mission*  
and their strategic implementation  
in *given cultural settings*.



# Scope of Missiology

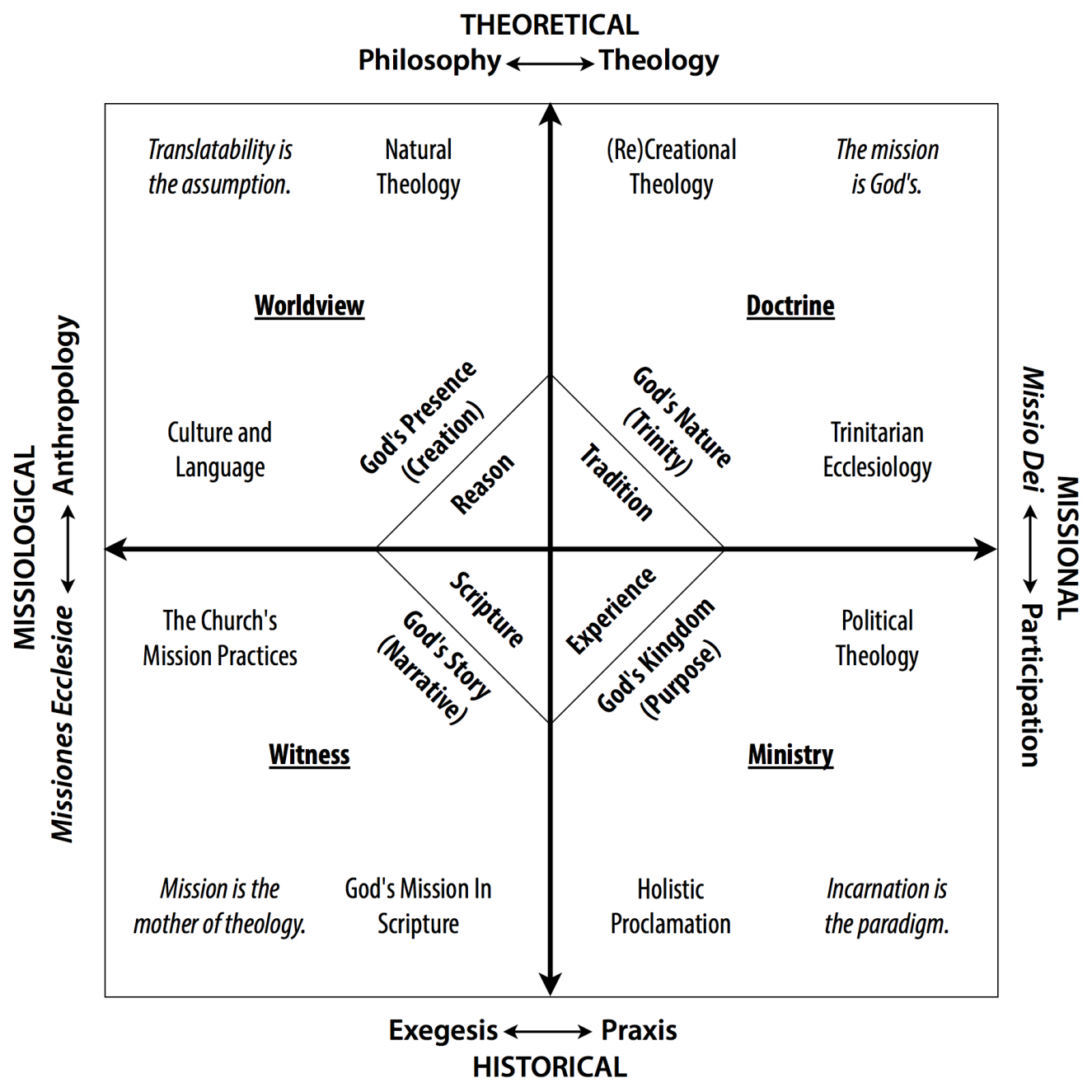


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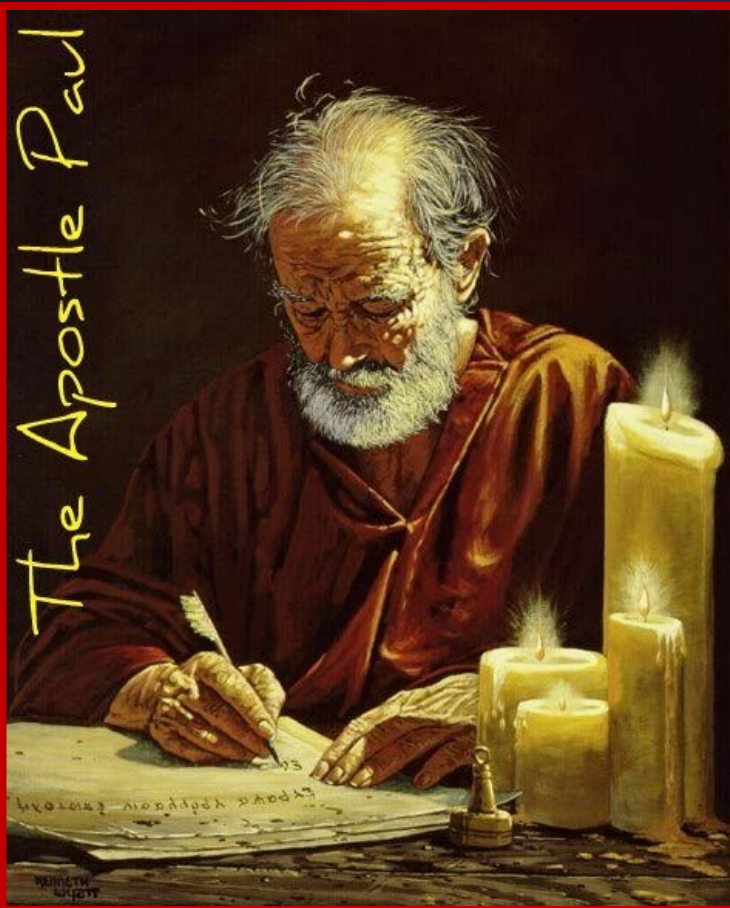


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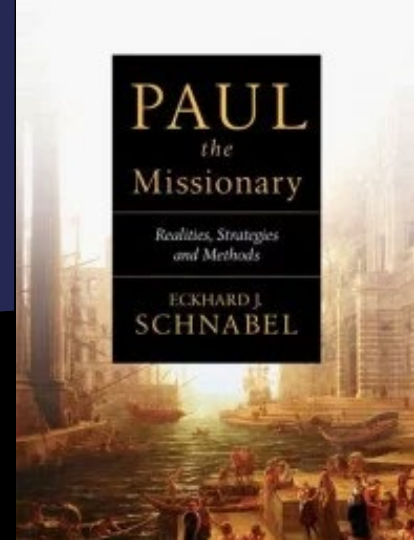
Apostle Paul was the Master Missiologist. What is his counsel to us this morning?





# Paul's mission?

- "Mission" is "the activity of a community of faith" that...
- Distinguishes itself in terms of both religious belief (theology) and social behavior (ethics) and is convinced of the truth claims of its faith,
- Actively works to win others to the content of faith and way of life of whose truth/necessity that faith community are convinced.





# Paul's Tasks?

- establish contact with non-Christians,
- proclaim news of Jesus Savior (proclamation, preaching, teaching, instruction),
- lead people to faith in Jesus Christ (conversion, baptism), and
- integrate new believers into local community of Jesus (body of Christ, transformation of social, moral behavior, charity).

# Paul/Early Church's Missiology?

- “Missionaries *communicate the news of Jesus the Messiah and Savior* to people who have not heard or accepted this news. . . .”
- “Missionaries communicate *a new way of life* that replaces, at least partially, the social norms and the behavioral patterns of the society in which they new believers have been converted. . . .”
- “Missionaries integrate the new believers into a *new community*. The new converts become disciples. . . .”



# Paul's Missionary Goals?

1. **Paul Preached/Taught** the message of Jesus Christ. *[Rom. 1:1; 1 Cor. 2:2]*
2. **Paul Targeted** the Gospel, to Gentiles, that is, to polytheists. *[Rom. 1:14; 1 Cor. 1:23; Rom. 1:16]*
3. **Paul Evangelized** people to believe in the true God/Jesus Christ. *[Rom. 1:14; 1 Cor. 1:18ff]*
4. **Paul Established** new churches, communities—Jews and Gentiles, men-women, free-slaves—taught believers the teachings of Jesus for everyday living. *[Col. 1:25-29]*

# Paul's Missionary Methods?

1. Proclamation of gospel was the fundamental element of their missionary work.
2. Geo. movement: city to city, region to region as a principal element of missionary work.
3. Taught as all possible with gospel, any locale in which people would listen to the Gospel.
4. Matters of ethnic identity, class, culture, or gender did not control his missionary focus."
5. Paul was Connected, Humble, Sensitive, Spirit led, Networked, Reward-focused, SLL method.

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## LEADERSHIP

*The word Ubuntu means “humanity” & at the heart of this emerges the idea that “an individual learns to be a person through other people.”*





# Disciple-Relationships Role

“Spiritual health demands a friend who will walk alongside us, speak truth to us (even when it hurts), and keep us honest in our relationships with God and with other people.”

Paul Borthwick



# Value of Relationships

**"Things will go wrong with every one;** sadness and discouragement press every soul; then a personal presence, **a friend who will comfort and impart strength,** will turn back the darts of the enemy that are aimed to destroy.

**"Christian friends are not half as plentiful as they should be.** In hours of temptation, in a crisis, what a value is a true friend! Satan at such times sends along his agents to cause the trembling limbs to stumble; **but the true friends who will counsel,** who will impart magnetic hopefulness, the calming faith that uplifts the soul,—**oh, such help is worth more than precious pearls.**

# Diverse Relationships

“How touching to see youth and old age relying one upon the other, the youth looking up to the aged for counsel and wisdom, the aged looking to the youth for help and sympathy. This is as it should be.

“God would have the young possess such qualification of character that they shall find delight in the friendship of the old, that they may be united in the endearing bonds of affection to those who are approaching the borders of the grave.

Signs of the Times , October 19, 1888





# Great Leaders have Great Friends/Mentors

- Ananias and Barnabus mentored Paul
- Paul mentored Timothy and Titus
- Jethro mentored Moses
- Moses mentored Joshua
- Elijah mentored Elisha
- Jesus mentored the Apostles

# Paul's Closing Counsel

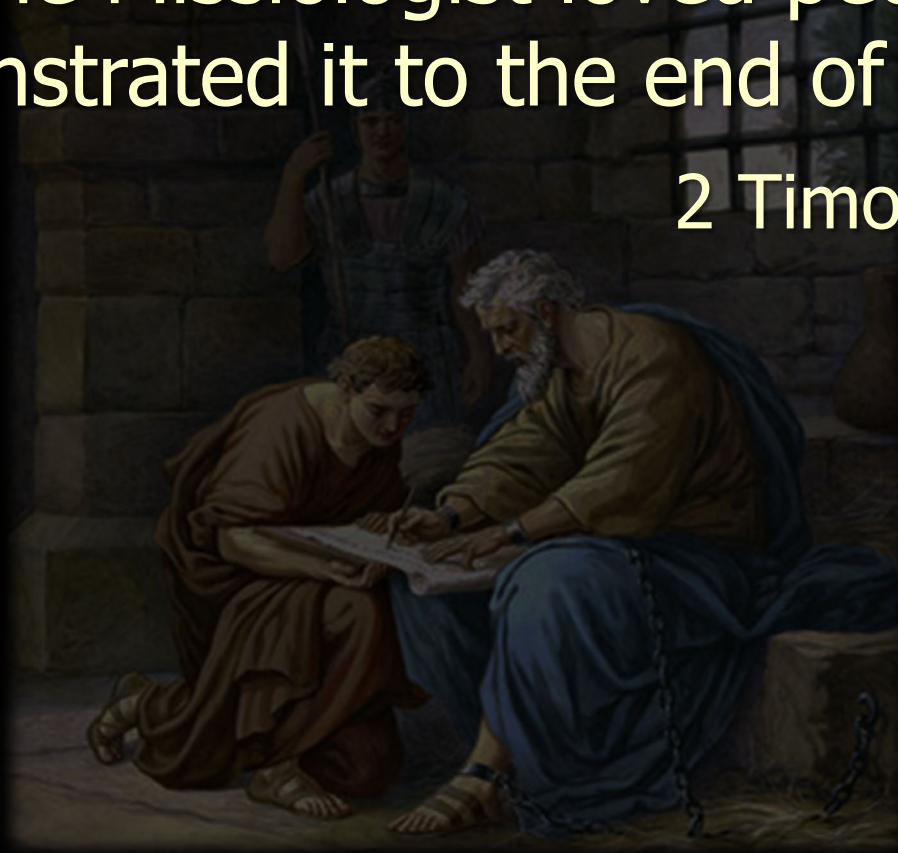
If all we had was **2 Timothy 1:1-10**, we would have sufficient information on Paul's counsel on the value of Relationships in Mission Work...



# Paul and Timothy: Case Study in Relationships(5 Principles)

Paul the Missiologist loved people and demonstrated it to the end of his life...

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**1. Associative Principle: Be Friendly, vs. 1-2**  
**Relationship; Partnership;**  
**Mentorship; Affirmative**



## 2 Timothy 1:3-4

**2. Authentic Principle: Be Real, vs. 3-4**  
**History; Conscience;**  
**Prayer; Sensitive**

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**3. Actualized Principle: Be Motivated, vs. 5-6**

**Grace Line; Efficacy**

**Rouse Yourself; Resilient**

## 2 Timothy 1:7-8

**4. Accountable Principle: Be Responsible, vs. 7-8**  
**Courage; Agency (power, love, discipline);**  
**Fellowship Suffering; Enabling Grace**

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<sup>8</sup> Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner, but share with me in the sufferings for the gospel according to the power of God,

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### 5. Affirmation Principle: Be Proud, vs. 9-10

Saved; Grateful;  
Eternity; Reward

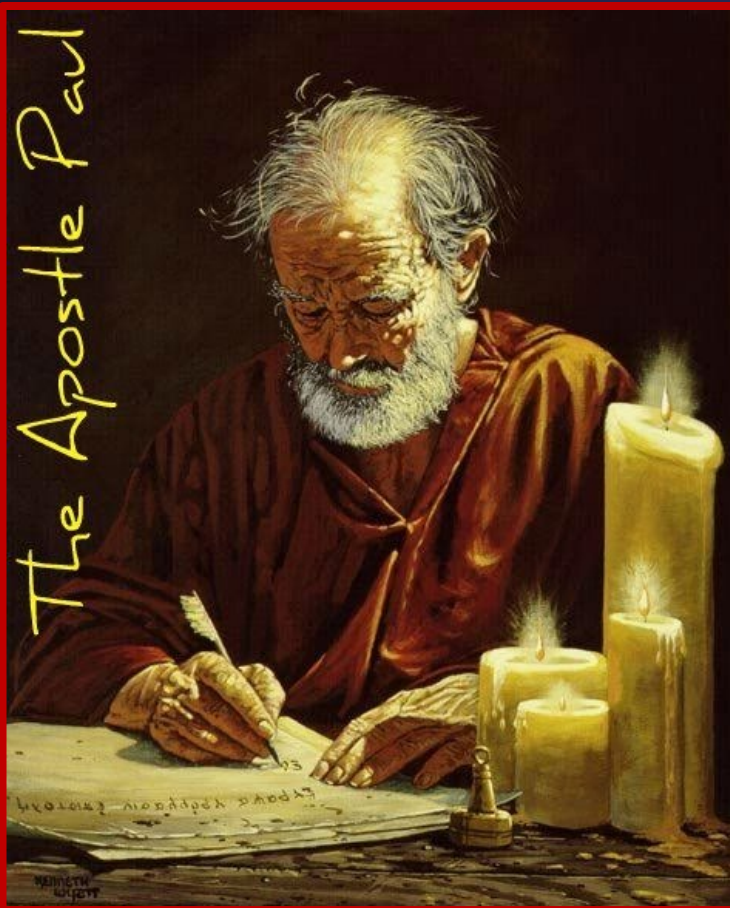
# Paul's Counsel on People and Missional Outreach (2 Timothy 1:1-8)

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# Paul's People Network (18) of Relationships is Obvious (4:9-21)

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|------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Timothy                   | 10. Anonymous      |
| 2. Demas                     | 11. Prisca, Aquila |
| 3. Crescens                  | 12. Onesiphorus    |
| 4. Titus                     | 13. Erastus        |
| 5. Luke                      | 14. Trophimus      |
| 6. Mark                      | 15. Eubulus        |
| 7. Tychicus                  | 16. Pudens         |
| 8. Carpus                    | 17. Linus          |
| 9. Alexander the Coppersmith | 18. Claudia        |



Paul Mission passion was all about “people”.

Let our outreach be passionate and people centered also.



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