

ACTS

A Disciple Named Timothy Acts 16:1-5

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1. Timothy was a true disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ.

- a. The Lord used the _____ that his mother and grandmother taught him to give Timothy the wisdom that led to salvation through faith in Christ.

"It is a great _____ to know the Holy Scriptures from our childhood." - Matthew Henry

- b. Timothy lived out his Christian faith in such a way that it was _____ to people who knew him.

- c. Timothy was a faithful learner and a _____ worker with Paul in his ministry.

*"We have no words from his lips, no letters from his pen ... Paul loved him; that is all ... Timothy comes before us for fourteen or at most eighteen years, and vanishes, never to be forgotten, never to be known, loved not for his own sake, but because Paul loved him."
- Curtis Vaughan*

2. Paul determined that it was prudent to circumcise Timothy to better facilitate ministry to the Jews.

- a. Paul was adamant that the gospel did _____ require Gentile believers to be circumcised in order to be saved.

1) Paul actively made known the ruling of the Jerusalem Council on this matter.

2) At the Jerusalem Council, Paul refused to have _____, one of his fellow workers, circumcised as he was pressured to do.

3) In his letters, Paul appealed to Gentile believers that they not _____ to circumcision.

- b. Paul had Timothy circumcised (and Timothy agreed to this) in order to keep the door _____ to gospel ministry among the Jewish people.

- c. God _____ the faithful proclamation of the word of the Lord by strengthening the churches in the faith and causing them to grow.