## Family Worship at Home. October 17<sup>th</sup> 2021 Timothy: Age is no barrier with God

Looking at the Bible. The Bible is made up of lots of different books and each one tells us something about God's love for his people. The Bible is like lotw of letters that God has written to us. Some of the books or letters tell us lots about Jesus, his life and how he came to love and forgive us.

In 1 and 2 Timothy we learn about how a follower of Jesus named Paul has written a letter to a young man named Timothy, encouraging him to not worry about his age. Instead, Timothy is to be confident that God has called him to lead God's people.

Timothy started learning from the word of God when he was a little boy. His mother and his grandmother helped him learn.

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Have you ever heard of the Apostle Paul? He is one of the greatest heroes of the Bible. In fact, he was the man God used to write most of the New Testament. Paul traveled the world preaching and teaching to thousands of people. Paul met lots of people in his travels. One of the people he met impressed him a whole lot. It was a young man named Timothy.

Timothy was much younger than Paul. That didn't stop the Apostle Paul from seeing incredible potential in Timothy. Even though he was very young, Paul approached Timothy and said, "You are well thought of by the believers. Will you join my missionary journey?" WOW! Timothy was just a young person and he was recognized by Paul as a strong example to other Christians.

Paul took Timothy along with him on his missionary journey. They started many churches and accomplished great things over the years. One day, Paul was thrown into prison for preaching the good news of Jesus. He wanted to make sure Timothy continued to preach the gospel, so he decided to write him a letter. This letter is what is now known as the book of 1 Timothy in the Bible - because it was the first letter that Paul wrote to Timothy. Timothy received this letter and began to read it. He read these words from Paul, "Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young. Be an example to all believers..." Timothy understood exactly what Paul was telling him. He knew that, even though he was very young, he was able to be an example for other Christians to follow. Timothy continued to preach about Jesus and taught the Christians in the churches. Timothy understood something very important. You are NEVER TOO YOUNG to be an example for others. Other kids - even adults - can learn from watching how you live. If you follow God in all you do and set an example for others, you can change the world!

What do we learn from Timothy?

Timothy loved to learn about God. He wanted to share what he knew about Jesus with others.

Timothy was a young man who was happy to help people. He traveled to many places to help others.

Paul taught Timothy that you are never too young to big things for God.

How about you? How can you do big things for God?

Let your words be truthful and kind. Show love to others. Remember to stay close to

Activity: Maybe we can write a letter to someone, helping them to know that God loves them.

Songs: The Crayon Box Song - YouTube

1 Timothy 4:12 - Young - YouTube

1 Timothy 4:12 | Preschool Worship Song - YouTube