

“The Sincere Faith”

Intro: Sparing neither on account of his great sufferings nor for his life Paul wrote his young protégé Timothy. In our present text we learn what the _____ of the Christ Jesus _____ in Paul and others, and will produce in all who have _____ in Jesus.

I. The _____ promises everlasting life in Christ Jesus for all who believe upon Him as Savior and Lord. And the good news of Jesus Christ works in the heart, soul and mind of believers causing them to serve God with all their strength. The effect of gospel truth upon the believer is _____.

A. The gospel produces _____ and thanksgiving for God in those who _____ in His Son Jesus. These hold their salvation to be of far greater value than any cross of suffering they may carry for Christ.

B. The gospel produces _____ of mind and confidence of heart by:

1. _____ us God’s purpose in persecution;
2. Giving us cause to _____ Him as we suffer for His name;
3. Giving us a _____ conscious in the midst of our suffering;
4. Reminding us of our heritage in the _____.

C. The _____ of Jesus produces a Christly love in us for people whom otherwise we would not have known or loved. By the love of Christ the gospel _____ disciples and disciple-makers of previous strangers. Of the love of Christ the gospel produces a people whom in the midst of their own suffering they care for others. The gospel produces a desire for deep _____ that can be satisfied in no way other than by corresponding and spending meaningful time one with the other.

D. The gospel produces sincere _____ in Christ, and faith that is sincere will be passed from generation to generation. Sincere faith works discipleship from one generation _____.

Finally then: Be a _____ of Christ as was Paul, and Lois, and Eunice and Timothy. Believe the good news of Jesus! Live your life for Christ. Possessing a sincere faith, pick up your _____ and follow Jesus, for He has promised you a crown of _____!

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