

## Discipling the Disciple-Maker

1 Timothy 1:1-3 (Series: The Transforming Church)

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### Understanding 1 Timothy

- A personal letter, following the common, ancient format:
  - (1) Sent a \_\_\_\_\_
  - (2) Offered a \_\_\_\_\_
  - (3) Praised his \_\_\_\_\_
  - (4) The \_\_\_\_\_ of message
  - (5) Special salutations and \_\_\_\_\_ greetings
- Importance of \_\_\_\_\_ communication expressing care and concern and taking time to provide \_\_\_\_\_

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- Population: 500,000
- Capital of the Roman province of Asia (modern day Turkey),
- Positioned strategically on major trade routes
- Larger harbor at the end of a major river
- Center of worship for the goddess, Artemis (aka Diana)
- Temple was an important bank.
- Large Jewish population
- Wealthy metropolitan city
- Temple served as an asylum for fugitives and runaway slaves

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