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**The Apostle, Paul. This is one of (3) 'Pastoral' epistles, written to Pastors (Tim/Titus).**

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**Paul wrote Timothy whom he led to the Lord. They had a very close relationship.**

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**ITim, Titus (~AD63), IITim (~AD67). Paul's last words to these two pastors. He's ready!**

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**1. To fight the good fight 2. Instructions for conduct in God's household, the Church...**

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**Overseer (Elder), Deacons, and their wives. Qualifications, work description, character.**

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**Here Paul urges requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone!**

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**The command to be devoted to the study of the Word of God. It's our true equipping!**

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**Do the work of an evangelist, that is make disciples. The command is to seek the lost.**

And what is taught in ITim.6:17-19? Rom.12:10-13; Heb.13:16; IJn.3:17

**To share and serve others. This is the heart of the good deeds sought after salvation.**

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