The Seed of God's Word

Unit B4 - Lesson 7: Timothy Learns to Lead

Lesson Prayer

Almighty Lord, you have raised up many faithful leaders for the work of Christ. We thank you for their tenacity and strength which only comes from you. Continue to raise up leaders for your Church, O Lord, that the good news of Jesus Christ would be spread to the ends of the earth. In Jesus' holy name we pray. Amen.

First Lesson: 1 Timothy 4:6-16

Paul wrote to Timothy:

6If you put these things before the brothers, you will be a good
servant of Christ Jesus, being trained in the words of the faith and of
the good doctrine that you have followed.

7Have nothing to do with irreverent, silly myths. Rather train
yourself for godliness; 8for while bodily training is of some value,
godliness is of value in every way, as it holds promise for the present
life and also for the life to come.

9The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance. 10For to
this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living
God, who is the Savior of all people, especially of those who believe.

11Command and teach these things. 12Let no one despise you for your
youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love,
in faith, in purity. 13Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading
of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching.

14Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophecy
when the council of elders laid their hands on you. 15Practice these
things, immerse yourself in them, so that all may see your progress.
16Keep a close watch on yourself and on the teaching. Persist in this,
for by so doing you will save both yourself and your hearers.

Second Lesson: Philippians 2:19-24.

Paul wrote to the Church in Phlippi:

19I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon, so that I too
may be cheered by news of you. 20For I have no one like him, who
will be genuinely concerned for your welfare. 21For they all seek their
own interests, not those of Jesus Christ. 22But you know Timothy's
proven worth, how as a son with a father he has served with me in
the gospel. 23I hope therefore to send him just as soon as I see how
it will go with me, 24and I trust in the Lord that shortly I myself will
come also.

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