## Final Exam Questions for The Life of Timothy 2016

Timothy is the third most fully documented and ever-present character in the New Testament, after Jesus and Paul. (Lance Pierson)

Fullness of time: language, roads, synagogues, and God-fearers

Acts — Incomplete account — What do I mean? Why? (incomplete, complete, inaccurate)

Acts does not mention: Titus, the Collection

Purpose in Acts: Clearly shows the expansion from a primarily Jewish phenomenon in Jerusalem to a primarily Gentile church throughout the Roman world. Clearly shows the Holy Spirit's activity at every stage of the journey. "Accurate and orderly account of the origins of Christianity." (FF Bruce) Possible Legal Precedent Roots in Ancient Religion

Emphasis of Paul's synagogue message (Acts 13) on historical origin, Davidic descent, crucifixion, resurrection, OT continuity

Jesus Christ was publicly portrayed as crucified (Gal. 3:1) The "public portrayal" must have characterized all of Paul's Galatian ministry, life, and preaching. Public sign-board. (LYSTRA)

"My Gospel" = "Jesus, the crucified and risen Messiah, is Lord!"

Phrygian Story of Philemon and Baucis, background for Lystra reception. Sets the stage.

Difference in what Paul appeals to in Acts 14 in Lystra: Creation, blessings

Timothy's family: Father a Greek, Grandmother Lois, Mother Eunice

What are the two sources of authority (according to Jesus in Matt. 21:25? heaven, men, [devil?], [government]

Like Jesus, we must grow in wisdom, stature, favor with God and men (Luke 2:52)

Maturing to age 30 - bearing the holy things, Jesus, David, Joseph

Acts 16 assumes about Timothy...

Commissioned and disillusioned — what was the beginning of Timothy's journey with Paul like?

Why was Timothy circumcised?

1 and 2 Timothy have passages that refer to Timothy's family, baptism, commissioning,

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Where was Paul's "once I was stoned"? Timothy's hometown of Lystra

Philippians 2:19-24 Things Paul says there of Timothy

Timothy is the best example (according to Paul) of a true son being raised up in his ministry. (Phil. 2)

Inclusion of Timothy in authorship of 1 and 2 Thessalonians (name in opening, us/we, description of plural ministry, Timothy's report's influence)

Ephesus: first forbidden, briefly visited, 2-3 year stay, and long-term location of ministry for Timothy

Ephesus is the city with the most recorded "scenes" in the Acts account

How did all Asia hear the Word of the Lord? By coming to Ephesus and hearing the message (possibly in the School of Tyrannus), by handkerchiefs and aprons and healing messengers, by ministry teams being sent out / people bringing the message home.

Revival + School = How all Asia heard

Corinthian Correspondence (at least 4 letters) A, B, C, D — which ones are our 1 & 2?

1 Cor. 4 — Timothy is contrasted to the Corinthians — they are beloved; he is beloved and \_\_\_\_\_ (faithful)

2 Cor. 1:1 specifically includes Timothy, who is therefore included in the consistent "we"

Romans 16 is often overlooked, but helpful in terms of demonstrating relational data; contains more information in greetings than most of Paul's other letters combined; There is a growing network of capable ministers in Paul's sphere, including of course "Timothy my fellow worker". Shows Prisca and Aquila back in Rome, evidencing the end of the Jewish expulsion.

Timothy's role in the Collection: sent ahead with Erastus (who may have also been a city treasurer); with his role in Paul's ministry, he was certainly very aware and involved in this; in the delegation of Acts 20:4, but without a location mentioned, indicating he's more than a location-delegate.

What age approximately was Timothy when he received the "let no one look down on your youth"? 15? 25? 35?

The situation of 1 Timothy: fulfillment of prophecy from Acts 20; erring leaders not infiltrating, but a mutiny; Timothy reluctantly urged to stay and help; mission involved removing and replacing erring elders that they had likely trained.

Possible public purpose of 1 Timothy, to authenticate his mission, evidenced by the final verses and Paul's mention of his apostolic credentials.

Primary purpose of 2 Timothy? Paul encouraging Timothy in his still-daunting task; calling him to his side at the end; (also retrieving a few things for him)

Hebrews 13:23 mention of Timothy's release from prison implies his suffering, but

According to tradition, Timothy died in Ephesus in AD 70 while confronting a riotous, idolatrous crowd.

Lesson of Timothy — the "ordinary's" can be used by God — It only costs everything

General questions about Timothy and his roles.

Statistics about letters and % involvement Only 2 don't mention 98% Timothy factor Part of author group in 6.

1 and 2 Timothy notes

Death, traditions of later life.