

# A Mother's Impact for Christ

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**Passage:** 1 Timothy 1:1-2 and 2 Timothy 1:5-6, 3:14-15

**Main Point:** The impact we have on our children can impact the Kingdom of God.

## Case Study:

It is proposed that freedom to choose is one of the most valuable aspects of human nature. From this premise, many would argue that we should not force our religion on our children. Instead, we should educate them on their options, and allow them to choose their own route. How would you respond to this idea?

## **The Word:**

1. In Acts 16:1-2, it is revealed that Timothy's mother was a Jewish Christian, while his father was a Greek. Why was this significant?
2. In 2 Timothy 1:5-6, who are Eunice and Lois? What did Paul say about them? How was their faith an encouragement to Paul?
3. Read Philippians 2:19-21. What was different about Timothy that Paul pointed out in these verses?

## **The World:**

1. What does Paul mean when he calls Timothy his son in the faith? Why was Paul's role as a spiritual father so important? (1 Timothy 1:1-2)
2. Why is it important to teach children about Jesus? (2 Timothy 3:14-15)
3. Read Ephesians 1:5. How should God adopting you into his family encourage you to reach out to others?

## **The Application:**

1. How can you show appreciation to those who have parented you in faith?
2. Paul, Eunice, and Lois were mentors to Timothy. Who can you influence as a mentor?
3. Mentors lead by example. What characteristics of your faith would you like to pass on to others? What parts of your character need development?

### What Questions do I have for my Family Group?

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### Key Cross References:

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### How to use this guide:

- **Study and discuss the passage**, not necessarily the outline of the sermon
- Don't feel pressure to ask all the questions, use your discernment based on time and needs of the group
- Engage the mind with good doctrine and move to the heart pushing toward application (A Key diagnostic for the leader to discern the health of his group is to listen "heart" conversation.