I TIMOTHY 1; November 13; Paul Praises Christ For Salvation

## ANALYSIS:

1. State the responsibilities Paul asked Timothy to take care of at Ephesus.

## 2. From what had some swerved and turned aside?

3. The law was not meant for [1]\_\_\_\_\_ but for [2] \_\_\_\_\_\_ but for

4. Who put Paul into the ministry, and what did he count respecting Paul? \_\_\_\_\_\_

5. Quote a faithful saying that is worthy of all acceptation.

## THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

Paul delighted to praise God for his own personal salvation (vs 12-16). He acknowledged himself a great sinner; a blasphemer, a persecutor (of God's dear children) and injurious (a violent person). He sinned in ignorance and unbelief and obtained mercy. He saw grace at the heart of all God's dealing with him. He gloried that the incarnation was to save sinners, of which he placed himself first of the worst. This grand fact, "that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners" is "a faithful saying" and worthy of universal hearty reception. Believe it and give thanks!

Can and do you and I praise "the only wise God" for our personal salvation as Paul does in verse 17? Sometime let us conclude our prayer of thanksgiving and praise with this reverent benediction.

## HELP:

1. Charge some that they teach no other doctrine (that he, Paul, had not taught), neither give heed to fables and endless genealogies, but rather to godly edifying (vs 3-4).

2. Charity out of a pure heart, a good conscience, faith unfeigned (v 5).3. [1] a righteous man, [2] the lawless and disobedient (and 12 additional designations of sin) (vs 9-10).

4. Christ Jesus our Lord, who counted Paul faithful (v 12).

5. "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief" (v 15).