

# Blueprint: God's Design for the Church

## BIG IDEA - What Counts is Your Character

How did Paul build up Timothy's character?

### 1) Showed Up

Acts 14:6

<sup>6</sup>When Paul and Barnabas learned about this, they went to Lystra and Derbe, cities in Lycaonia, and to the areas around those cities. <sup>7</sup>They announced the Good News there, too.

### 2) Followed Up

Acts 16:1

Paul came to Derbe and Lystra. A follower named Timothy was there. Timothy's mother was Jewish and a believer. His father was a Greek.

### 3) Trained Up

Acts 16:2-5

<sup>2</sup>The brothers in Lystra and Iconium respected Timothy and said good things about him. <sup>3</sup>Paul wanted Timothy to travel with him. But all the Jews living in that area knew that Timothy's father was Greek. So Paul circumcised Timothy to please the Jews. <sup>4</sup>Paul and the men with him traveled from town to town. They gave the decisions made by the apostles and elders in Jerusalem for the people to obey. <sup>5</sup>So the churches became stronger in the faith and grew larger every day.

Philippians 2:22

<sup>22</sup> But you know that Timothy has proved himself, because as a son with his father he has served with me in the work of the gospel.

### 4) Checked Up

Timothy 1:18-19

<sup>18</sup> Timothy, my son, I am giving you this command in keeping with the

prophecies once made about you, so that by recalling them you may fight the battle well, <sup>19</sup>holding on to faith and a good conscience, which some have rejected and so have suffered shipwreck with regard to the faith.

5) Prayed up

**2 Timothy 1:3**

**<sup>3</sup>I always remember you in my prayers, day and night. And I thank God for you in these prayers.**

Who has done this in your life?

Who are you doing this for today?

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