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Another Overview Chart - [1 Timothy - Charles Swindoll](#)

THE PASTOR'S PRIMER: PAUL'S PRACTICAL PASTORAL INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING THE LOCAL CHURCH				
1 Timothy 1	1 Timothy 2-3	1 Timothy 4	1 Timothy 5	1 Timothy 6
TIMOTHY'S CHARGE...	TIMOTHY'S INSTRUCTIONS...			
Concerning Sound Doctrine	Concerning Prayer & Church	Concerning Last Days Apostasy	Concerning Widows & Elders	Concerning Conflict & Contentment
Danger of False Doctrine	Public Worship Church Officers	Antidote for Apostasy	Pastoral Duties Toward Others	Instructions for the Man of God
Warning	Worship	Wisdom	Widows	Wealth
Written in Macedonia Circa 62-64AD				

COMMENTARIES AND OTHER RESOURCES ARCHIVE.ORG

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COMMENTARIES ON 1 Timothy

[The Bible Exposition Commentary](#) - Ephesians through Revelation - Warren Wiersbe

Rosscup - One of America's most appreciated staunchly evangelical Bible conference teachers gives diligent, refreshing expositions. These are all of his 23 separate, earlier books in the "Be" series on the New Testament. He strikes a particular appeal with lay people as he crystallizes sections, deals with some of the verses, handles certain problems and backgrounds and applies principles. He is premillennial.

[Be faithful](#) (1 & 2 Timothy, Titus) by Wiersbe, Warren Or here - [Be ready](#)

[1 & 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon : it's always too soon to quit!](#) by Wiersbe, Warren

[Wiersbe's Expository Outlines on the New Testament](#) by Wiersbe, Warren W

[Cyril Barber](#) - This is a book of exceptional merit. Pastors, missionaries, and Christian workers will profit from its use. Wiersbe introduces each book of the NT, provides an outline, and then furnishes his readers with a chapter-by-chapter discussion of the contents. The homiletic style is a "plus." Recommended.

[With the Word](#) - Devotional Commentary - Warren Wiersbe - [428 ratings](#) - Chapter by chapter. Helpful insights.

[The Preacher's Outline & Sermon Bible : New Testament, King James Version](#) - Acts, Romans, 1 Corinthians, 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians - This is a very useful resource which always includes numerous related cross-references. It will be of aid to you preaching and teaching.

[Exposition of the Pastoral Epistles](#) by Hendriksen, William,

James Rosscup - As usual, Hendriksen is detailed and offers much aid in word meanings, possible views which he documents, and full discussion of the passages. His commentary is one of the finer works for serious students.

[The pastoral epistles : an introduction and commentary](#) by Guthrie, Donald,

James Rosscup - A recent work, this has a good introduction, but the commentary lacks detail. The author is better known for his three-volume work on New Testament introduction. This book is helpful, especially for an up-to-date conservative answer to critical views concerning introductory matters. The revisions are not extensive since the 1957 edition.

[1 and 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon, Hebrews, James](#) by Morris, Leon,

[Guard the truth : the message of 1 Timothy & Titus](#) by Stott, John R. W

James Rosscup - (note on 2 Timothy but relates to 1 Timothy) An articulate and well-organized exposition of Second Timothy that is very suggestive for messages on the epistle. Though brief, Stott has quite good insight into the meaning of verses and has a rare ability to state truth succinctly.

Cyril Barber - The first volume in a new series entitled The Bible Speaks Today. Deserves to be read by all who are interested in living dynamically for Christ. Highly recommended. 2

See also [Fighting the good fight : 12 studies with commentary for individuals or groups](#) by Stott, John R. W

[1 & 2 Timothy and Titus : to guard the deposit](#) by Hughes, R. Kent, Rosscup ranks the #3 (out of 6) expositional commentary.

Cyril Barber - The authors include personal anecdotes in these commentaries, and this gives their work a down-to-earth quality. They adhere to the text and are not afraid to champion interpretations (e.g., of [1 Timothy 2:11-12](#)) that are unpopular in today's milieu. Anyone teaching or preaching on these "pastoral" epistles will find considerable help in these pages.

James Rosscup - Hughes does the Timothys, Chapell Titus, both giving frequently refreshing survey expositions along homiletically useful, applicational lines for pastors, teachers, students, and laity. Illustrations occur often, and solid explanation in between is not always present (cf. [1 Tim. 2:1-2](#); and v. 8, the significance of raised hands). On some texts basic explanation is quite good (2:11-15), yet on v. 15 the light hint at a meaning does not give much to go on (cf. also on 4:10, 16, or [2 Tim. 4:8](#), in the latter a vagueness on the NT "crown" concept). Overall, the treatments help mostly on often choice illustrations and pastoral applications, and this is well worth the time.

[The letters to Timothy and Titus](#) by MacDonald, William (2003) 148 pages.

[Pastoral Epistles](#) by Mounce, William D

James Rosscup - Here is one of the best three exegetical works in recent years for advanced students and teachers wanting detail (cf. also Marshall and Knight). The 641 big pages, in typical WBC form, provide much detailed grappling with grammar, word study, context, background, customs, etc., while showing helpful sources from voluminous awareness on issues. Mounce is open to Pauline authorship, and usually puts forth solid help by carefully explaining data.

Cyril Barber - Defends the Pauline authorship, but adopts a vacillating approach to passages dealing with gender roles. Some disturbing elements are to be noted in Mounce's presentation, for example his statement that "there is no salvation apart from discipleship" (p. 434). This is a very full work and the judicious reader has

much to gain from it.

[The letters to Timothy and Titus](#) by Towner, Philip H.,

James Rosscup - Favoring authorship by Paul (30–32), Towner provides a succinct, lucid commentary that sometimes explains verses or parts of them, sometimes ignores things (as “especially those who believe,” 4:10; “save both yourself and your hearers,” 4:16; or [2 Tim. 4:8](#), where the words do not really resolve Towner’s idea that a faithful life is necessary for receiving a crown, final righteousness, with this being of grace and not earned). Overall, the work seems below average, a mixture of being of some help and of little help, this depending on which verse. It will be of mediocre benefit only to those wanting a cursory, yet easily flowing guide. It grew out of Towner’s Ph. D. dissertation under I. Howard Marshall at the University of Aberdeen, Scotland, but does not approach Marshall’s usual kind of serious explanation.

[The Pastoral Epistles : studies in 1 and 2 Timothy and Titus](#) by Kent, Homer Austin,

James Rosscup - This is a fairly detailed exposition that usually gives various views on many of the larger interpretive problems and provides reasons for the view favored. Kent uses his own translation. The outline is very clear, and the evangelical exposition is geared for Bible college students, pastors desiring a brief, knowledgeable survey that comes right to the point without being technical, and laymen wanting a commentary that will satisfy them without losing them.

Cyril Barber - This exemplary study has stood the test of time. Now, in this new, revised edition, Kent’s commentary should continue to enjoy wide-spread acceptance. 2

[1 Timothy, 2 Timothy, Titus](#) by Johnson, Luke Timothy

James Rosscup - A highly regarded scholar provides clear results of great industry in older and newer thought. One gains access to much on word study, exegetical details, ways of grasping Paul’s meaning, and literature that probes issues. Johnson is confident that Paul was the author. The work is quite worthwhile in opening up many parts of the books.

Cyril Barber - Begins with the reasons for the neglect of the Pastorals, but ignores the effect those who have denied their Pauline authorship has had on others. Provides new ideas on the values inherent in these canonical works.

[The interpretation of st. paul's epistles to the colossians, to the thessalonians, to timothy, to titus and to philemon](#) by R.C.H. Lenski - Lutheran commentator who writes excellent notes.

[1 and 2 Timothy, Titus](#) by Fee, Gordon D; Gasque, W. Ward

James Rosscup - This is a reworking of his 1984 work in the Good News Commentary (San Francisco: Harper and Row). As in his work on I Corinthians, Fee is clear in most cases (not easy to follow when he gets too terse), capable on Greek grammar and local setting, unity and integrity of the books. Each section has a summary. He aims to be of help to teachers, preachers and students. His belief is that Paul authored the books and wrote to meet specific situations in the churches, not to give a manual for the church as some have held. The work has switched from the GNT to the NIV. Fee is evangelical.

[The communicator's commentary. 1, 2 Thessalonians, 1, 2 Timothy, Titus](#) by Demarest, Gary W (Now published as the Preacher’s Commentary)

[First and second Timothy and Titus](#) by Oden, Thomas C

Cyril Barber - Defends the Pauline authorship as well as two Roman imprisonments for the apostle Paul. Provides the kind of comments on the text that preachers will find most helpful.

[1 & 2 Timothy and Titus](#) by Gangel, Kenneth - This is more like a workbook with questions and short explanatory notes

[Walking in power, love, and discipline](#) - 1 Timothy and 2 Timothy and Titus by Arthur, Kay,

[The pastoral letters: commentary on the first and second letters to Timothy and the letter to Titus](#) by Hanson, Anthony Tyrrell

[The pastoral epistles : based on the Revised Standard Version](#) by Hanson, Anthony Tyrrell

Cyril Barber - This totally new work is not to be confused with Hanson’s Studies in the Pastoral Epistles (1968). His comments are incisive and worthy of serious consideration.

STUDY BIBLES:

Note: The first 4 resources have no time restriction and allow copy and paste function:

(1) [KJV Bible Commentary](#) - Hindson, Edward E; Kroll, Woodrow Michael. Over 3000 pages of the entire OT/NT. Well done conservative commentary that interprets Scripture from a literal perspective. Pre-millennial. [User reviews](#) - it generally gets 4/5 stars from users. - [372 ratings](#)

Very well done conservative commentary that interprets Scripture from a literal perspective [user reviews](#)

The King James Version Bible Commentary is a complete verse-by-verse commentary. It is comprehensive in scope, reliable in scholarship, and easy to use. Its authors are leading evangelical theologians who provide practical truths and biblical principles. Any Bible student will gain new insights through this one-volume commentary based on the timeless King James Version of the Bible.

(2) [The King James Study Bible Second Edition](#) 2240 pages (2013) (Thomas Nelson) General Editor - Edward Hindson with multiple contributing editors. . [3,194 ratings](#). Pre-millennial. See [introduction on How to Use this Study Bible](#)

(3) [NKJV Study Bible: New King James Version Study Bible](#) (formerly "The Nelson Study Bible - NKJV") by Earl D Radmacher; Ronald Barclay Allen; Wayne H House. 2345 pages. (1997, 2007). Very helpful notes. Conservative. Pre-millennial. [917 ratings](#)

(4) [The Wycliffe Bible Commentary - only the New Testament](#) (for OT see below to borrow) - 1126 pages. (1971) Everett F Harrison - Editor of New Testament. Uses the KJV. Strictly speaking not a study Bible, but short notes are similar. KJV text in left column, commentary notes in right column. The comments are generally verse by verse, short, conservative and to the point. Pre-millennial.

Quote from **Henry Alford** (1810-1871 - not a dispensationalist!) on Revelation 20 - "It will have been long ago anticipated by the readers of this Commentary, that I cannot consent to distort words from their plain sense and chronological place in the prophecy, on account of any considerations of difficulty, or any risk of abuses which the doctrine of the millennium may bring with it. Those who lived next to the Apostles, and the whole Church for 300 years, understood them in the plain literal sense: and it is a strange sight in these days to see expositors who are among the first in reverence of antiquity, complacently casting aside the most cogent instance of consensus which primitive antiquity presents. As regards the text itself, no legitimate treatment of it will extort what is known as the spiritual interpretation now in fashion."

[Dictionary of Biblical Imagery](#) - free for use online with no restrictions (i.e., you do not need to borrow this book). Editors Leland Ryken, J C Wilhoit, Tremper Longman III - This is a potential treasure chest to aid your preaching and teaching as it analyzes the meaning of a host of Biblical figures of speech. **Clue** - use the "One-page view" which then allows you to copy and paste text. One downside is there is no index, so you need to search 3291 pages for entries which are alphabetical.

[Zondervan NIV Study Bible](#) - (2011) 2570 pages - Use this one if available as it has more notes than edition below. One hour limit

[NIV Study Bible](#) by Barker, Kenneth L; Burdick, Donald W (1995) 2250 pages. This is the first edition. This resource has been fully revised in 2020. One hour limit

[Believer's Bible Commentary](#) - OT and NT - MacDonald, William (1995) 2480 pages. Conservative. Literal. Often has very insightful comments. John MacArthur, says "Concise yet comprehensive - the most complete single-volume commentary I have seen." Warren Wiersbe adds "For the student who is serious about seeing Christ in the Word." One hour limit.

Rosscup - This work, originally issued in 1983, is conservative and premillennial, written to help teachers, preachers and people in every walk of life with different views, explanation and application. The 2-column format runs verse by verse for the most part, usually in a helpfully knowledgeable manner, and there are several special sections such as "Prayer" in Acts and "Legalism" in Galatians. The premillennial view is evident on [Acts 1:6](#), [3:20](#), [Romans 11:26](#), [Galatians 6:16](#), Revelation 20, etc.

[HCSB Study Bible : Holman Christian Standard Bible](#) - General Editor Jeremy Royal Howard (2010) 2360 pages. Conservative. Good notes. Include Holmans excellent maps. One hour limit

[Life Application Study Bible: Old Testament and New Testament](#) New Living Translation. Has some very helpful notes especially with application of texts. [4,445 ratings](#) One hour limit

[The MacArthur Study Bible](#) - John MacArthur. Brief but well done notes for conservative, literal perspective. [1,275 ratings](#)

[ESV Study Bible](#) - Excellent resource but not always literal in eschatology and the nation of Israel [6,004 ratings](#)

[The David Jeremiah Study Bible](#) - (2013) 2208 pages. [2,272 ratings Logos.com](#) - "Drawing on more than 40 years of study, Dr. David Jeremiah has compiled a legacy resource that will make an eternal impact on generations to come. 8,000 study notes. Hundreds of enriching word studies"50+ Essentials of the Christian Faith" articles."

[Wycliffe Bible Commentary](#) - Charles Pfeiffer - 1560 pages (1962). [214 ratings](#) Less detailed than the KJV Bible Commentary. Conservative. Notes are generally verse by verse but brief.

Rosscup - Conservative and premillennial scholars here have been experts in their fields. The work contains brief introductions and attempts to give a verse-by-verse exposition, though it does skip over some verses. The treatments vary with the authors, but as a whole it is a fine one-volume commentary for pastors and students to use or give to a layman. Outstanding sections include, for example: Whitcomb on Ezra-Nehemiah-Esther; Culver on Daniel; Ladd on Acts; Harrison on Galatians; Johnson on I Corinthians; and Ryrie on the Johannine Epistles.

[The Defender's Study Bible : King James Version](#) by Morris, Henry M. Excellent notes by well known creationist. [45 ratings](#)

[New Bible Commentary](#) - (1994) [See user reviews](#)

[Compact Bible commentary](#) by Radmacher, Earl D; Allen, Ronald Barclay; House, H Wayne, et al - 954 pages. [424 ratings](#) Multiple contributors to the comments which are often verse by verse. The comments are brief but meaty and can really help your study through a given book. A sleeper in my opinion.

[The Experiencing God Study Bible: the Bible for knowing and doing the will of God](#) - Blackaby, Henry (1996) 1968 pages - CHECK THIS ONE! Each chapter begins with several questions under the title "PREPARE TO MEET GOD." Then you will interesting symbols before many of the passages. The chapter ends with a "DID YOU NOTICE?" question. This might make a "dry chapter" jump off the page! Read some of the [48 ratings](#)

[NLT Study Bible](#) (Illustration Version)

[Disciple's Study Bible: New international version](#) [54 ratings](#) Not that helpful for verse by verse study. Focuses on application of Christian doctrines. 10,000 annotations; doctrinal summaries, "Life Helps" section relate doctrine to everyday discipleship.

[The Living Insights Study Bible : New International Version](#) - Charles Swindoll. Notes are good but somewhat sparse and not verse by verse.

[The Apologetics Study Bible Understand Why You Believe](#) by Norman Geisler

[NIV Archaeological Study Bible](#) (2005) 2360 pages [950 ratings](#) (See also [Archaeology and the Bible - OT and NT](#))

"Readers who desire a more intimate knowledge of the historical context of the Bible will appreciate the NIV Archaeological Study Bible. Full of informative articles and full-color photographs of places and objects from biblical times, this Bible examines the archaeological record surrounding God's Word and brings the biblical world to life. Readers' personal studies will be enriched as they become more informed about the empires, places, and peoples of the ancient world. Features include: • Four-color interior throughout • Bottom-of-page study notes exploring passages that speak on archaeological and cultural facts • Articles (520) covering five main categories: Archaeological Sites, Cultural and Historical Notes, Ancient Peoples and Lands, the Reliability of the Bible, and Ancient Texts and Artifacts • Approximately 500 4-color photographs interspersed throughout • Detailed book introductions that provide basic, at-a-glance information • Detailed charts on pertinent topics • In-text color maps that assist the reader in placing the action "

[NIV Cultural Backgrounds Study Bible. Bringing to Life the Ancient World of Scripture](#) Keener, Craig and Walton, John. Editors (2017)

[The Holman Illustrated Study Bible](#) [120 ratings](#) Includes the excellent Holman maps but otherwise of little help in serious study.

[Zondervan King James Version Commentary](#) - New Testament

[NIV Celebrate Recovery Study Bible](#)

[Daily Study Bible for Women : New Living Translation](#)

[The Woman's Study Bible : the New King James Version](#)

[The Study Bible for Women : Holman Christian Standard Bible](#)

[Daily Study Bible for Men : New Living Translation](#)

[NIV Topical Study Bible : New International Version](#)

[Ryrie Study Bible](#) - Charles Ryrie (1978) 2142 pages. Conservative. [216 ratings](#)

[Ryrie Study Bible Expanded Edition](#) (1994) 2232 pages

[The Hebrew-Greek Key Study Bible : New American standard study](#) by Strong, James, 1822-1894; Zodhiates, Spiros

[The New Inductive Study Bible : updated New American Standard Bible](#) - Introductions of each book give suggestions how to perform an inductive study on that specific book. Not strictly speaking a "study Bible" with notes but a Bible to help you study inductively. Has wide margins for making notes. This is one that works best in "paper," not digitally.

[With the Word](#) - Devotional Commentary - Warren Wiersbe - [428 ratings](#)

[Evangelical Commentary on the Bible](#) - Judges by Andrew Boling (20 pages); editor Walter Elwell (1989) 1239 pages. [User reviews](#). (See also Boling's [380 page commentary on Judges](#) the Anchor Bible Series)

[Halley's Bible Handbook](#) Henry H. Halley - (2000) 2720 pages (much larger than original edition in 1965 and no time limit on use). ([Halley's Bible handbook : an abbreviated Bible commentary - one hour limit](#) 1965 872 pages)

Rosscup - A much-used older evangelical handbook bringing together a brief commentary on Bible books, some key archaeological findings, historical background, maps, quotes, etc. It is helpful to a lay Bible teacher, Sunday School leader, or pastor looking for quick, pertinent information on a Bible book. This is the 72nd printing somewhat revised. Halley packed in much information. Unger's is better overall, but that is not to say that Halley's will not provide much help on basic information.

[The Shaw Pocket Bible Handbook](#) - Editor - Walter Elwell (1984) 408 pages.

"This hardback is small in size but packed full of content: Brief summaries of every book of the bible, cultural, archaeological and historical info, word definitions, pictures, maps and charts." Worth checking!

MORE SERMONS AND COMMENTARIES

HENRY ALFORD

([Read his fascinating brief biography - Henry Alford](#) and [Phil Johnson's related comments](#))

James Rosscup writes that Alford's series on the New Testament "contains much that is valuable in the Greek New Testament...though all of the Greek New Testament words have been changed to English throughout." ([Commentaries for Biblical Expositors: An Annotated Bibliography of Selected Works](#)).

Charles Haddon Spurgeon (see his comments in following entry on Alford).

Editorial Note: If you are not proficient in Greek, you will find this work considerably more useful than the following work by Alford, because in this volume he translates the Greek and Latin into English. While the "The Greek New Testament" is longer (e.g., English version of 1John = **66** pages compared to Greek version = **94** pages in part because the latter includes comments of more technical nature), the substance of the commentary is otherwise similar to that found in the "NT for English Readers".

- [1 Timothy 3](#)
- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

DON ANDERSON

- [1 Timothy Study Guide](#)

- Teacher Notes
- [1 Timothy study 6](#) - [1 Timothy 3:1-7](#)
- [1 Timothy study 7](#) - [1 Timothy 3:8-13](#)
- [1 Timothy study 8](#) - [1 Timothy 3:14-16](#)
- Study Notes
- [1 Timothy study 6](#) - [1 Timothy 3:1-7](#)
- [1 Timothy study 7](#) - [1 Timothy 3:8-13](#)
- [1 Timothy study 8](#) - [1 Timothy 3:14-16](#)

PAUL APPLE 1 TIMOTHY COMMENTARY

101 page modern commentary. Conservative. Evangelical. Each section includes numerous excellent quotes (including "Quotes for Reflection"), devotional thoughts and questions.

- [1 Timothy Local Church Primer: Proper Leadership & Conduct in the Household of God](#)

ALBERT BARNES

James Rosscup writes that Barnes "includes 16 volumes on the Old Testament, 11 on the New Testament. The New Testament part of this old work was first published in 1832–1851. Various authors contributed. It is evangelical and amillennial...Often the explanations of verses are very worthwhile." ([Commentaries for Biblical Expositors: An Annotated Bibliography of Selected Works](#))

C H Spurgeon "Albert Barnes is a learned and able divine, but his productions are unequal in value, the gospels are of comparatively little worth, but his other comments are extremely useful for Sunday-school teachers and persons with a narrow range of reading, endowed with enough good sense to discriminate between good and evil....Placed by the side of the great masters, Barnes is a lesser light, but taking his work for what it is and professes to be, no minister can afford to be without it, and this is no small praise for works which were only intended for Sunday-school teachers." ([Spurgeon, C. H. Lectures to my Students, Vol. 4: Commenting and Commentaries: Lectures Addressed to the students of the Pastors' College, Metropolitan Tabernacle](#))

- [Introduction](#)
- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

WILLIAM BARCLAY Daily Study Bible

James Rosscup: This is a lucid and well-organized exposition of the epistles with many helpful lists on different facets of truth John can have in mind at different points as on "light" and "darkness" in [1 John 1:5](#). There is stimulating background material and warm application. (Commentaries for Biblical Expositors: An annotated bibliography of selected works).

D Edmond Hiebert - Prints the author's own translation. A series of popular studies whose strong point is word study. Contains good illustrative material. Part of the author's interpretation follows a liberal position. Barclay holds that Christ's descent into Hades gave those who there heard Him a second chance.

Comment: I appreciate Barclay's unique insights on Greek words, but clearly his teaching about a "second chance" is NOT sound doctrine! Be an [Acts 17:11](#) Berean with Barclay. [See discussion of his orthodoxy](#) especially the article "[The Enigmatic William Barclay](#)".

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

BRIAN BELL SERMONS

- [1 Timothy 3](#)

CHRIS BENFIELD

- [1 Timothy 3:16 More than a Man](#)

JOHANN BENDEL

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#) - less Greek
- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#) - Gnomon

JOSEPH BENSON 1 TIMOTHY COMMENTARY

Spurgeon - Adopted by the Wesleyan Conference as a standard work, and characterized by that body as marked by "solid learning, soundness of theological opinion, and an edifying attention to experimental and practical religion. Necessary to Methodist Students.

- [Introduction](#)
- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

ERNEST FAULNER BROWN THE PASTORAL EPISTLES 1 TIMOTHY COMMENTARY

D Edmond Hiebert - A concise, conservative, phrase-by-phrase interpretation by a missionary in India who understands the positions of Timothy and Titus in the light of his own missionary experience.

- [1 Timothy 3](#)

GREGORY BROWN 1 TIMOTHY COMMENTARY

- [Essential Qualities of Elders \(1 Timothy 3:1-7\)](#)
- [Qualities of Deacons and Deaconesses—Faithful Servants \(1 Timothy 3:8-13\)](#)
- [God's Mission for the Church \(1 Timothy 3:14-16\)](#)

WILLIAM BURKITT 2 TIMOTHY COMMENTARY

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

JOHN CALVIN COMMENTARY

James Rosscup - Calvin was not only a great theologian but also a great expositor, and his insight into Scripture contributed to his grasp of doctrinal truth. His commentaries are deep in spiritual understanding, usually helpful on problem passages, and refreshing in a devotional sense to the really interested reader. He usually offers good help on a passage. The present work skips Judges, Ruth, Samuel, Kings, Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Job, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon, II and III John and Revelation. Calvin is amillennial on long-range prophecy, but in other respects usually has very contributive perception on passages and doctrinal values edifying to the believer. He also can be very wordy, but the serious and patient glean much.

Cyril Barber - he messages were taken down in shorthand and were later translated by a person who signed himself "L.T" Spurgeon highly esteemed these messages, and they are now available again in the same format as that which graced the homes of Puritan laypeople three hundred years ago. Their richness and relevance will amply repay the time spent mastering their contents. This is a worthy reprint, beautifully bound, and printed on fine paper. Recommended

D Edmond Hiebert - Valuable for insights into Reformation day views.

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

CAMBRIDGE GREEK TESTAMENT - J H Bernard

D Edmond Hiebert - Greek text. The introductions provide a satisfactory study of the problems connected with the Pastorals from a conservative viewpoint. The exegetical notes on the text of the epistles are thorough, thoughtful, and scholarly.

Cyril Barber - This....1886 commentary from the Cambridge Greek Testament series readily interacts with critical issues raised by the publication of the NT texts of Tischendorf and Tregelles. Plummer then treats these letters in a most commendable way, providing some unique insights into the thought of the apostle and

the nuances of the original text. ([The Minister's Library, Volume 2](#))

James Rosscup writes "Though old, this is a good study from the Greek text which will be helpful in any more advanced study of the epistles. There are other works more highly recommended, however." ([Commentaries for Biblical Expositors: An Annotated Bibliography of Selected Works](#))

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

ALAN CARR SERMONS

- [1 Timothy 3:1-7 God's Word To God's Men](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16 Every Day is Memorial Day](#)

RICH CATHERS He uses many illustrations.

- [1 Timothy 3:1-7](#)

CENTURY BIBLE COMMENTARY 1 TIMOTHY COMMENTARY

- [1 Timothy 3](#)

JOHN CEREGHIN - 90 page - Pilgrim Way Commentary

- [1 Timothy](#)

VINCENT CHEUNG

- [Reflections on First Timothy](#)

ADAM CLARKE COMMENTARY

[Click](#) for brief critique of Clarke

James Rosscup - This old, conservative Wesleyan Methodist work is good devotionally and aggressive for righteous living. Laypeople can find it still valuable today. It is Arminian in viewpoint and thus helpful, for example, in showing the reader how this approach deals with texts involving the eternal security question. The work contains much background material from many sources on all books of the Bible.

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

GEORGE CLARKE COMMENTARY

(1906) "Designed for Pastors and Sunday Schools"

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

STEVEN COLE 1 TIMOTHY SERMONS

These Function Like a Verse by Verse Commentary. Recommended

- [1 Timothy 3:1 Who's in Charge of the Church?](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:2-7 What Does an Elder Look Like?](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:8-13 Servants: Official & Otherwise](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:14-16 Why Is The Church Important?](#)

THOMAS CONSTABLE 1 TIMOTHY COMMENTARY

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

F C COOK Speaker's Commentary

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

W A CRISWELL

- [1 Timothy 3:1-13 The Ordained Officers of the Church](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:14-16 The Mystery of Godliness](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16 The Marvel of Jesus](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:8-13 The Diaconate \(Orders of Christian Ministry\)](#)

RON DANIEL

- [1 Timothy 3:1-13](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:14-16](#)

JOHN DUMMELOW

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

DAN DUNCAN - pdfs

- [1 Timothy 3:1-13 Elders And Deacons](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:14-16 The Pillar Of The Truth](#)

J LIGON DUNCAN 1 TIMOTHY SERMONS

- [1 Timothy 3:1-13](#) Biblical Priorities For the Life of the Church (13) - Biblical Church Leadership
- [1 Timothy 3:1-7](#) What God Wants in Elders
- [1 Timothy 3:7](#) What Elder Are and Do
- [1 Timothy 3:8](#) Why We Need Deacons and What Kind of Deacon do We Need?
- [1 Timothy 3:8-13](#) What God Wants in Deacons
- [1 Timothy 3:8](#) What Deacons Are and Do
- [1 Timothy 3:14-16](#) The Mystery of Godliness

CHARLES J. ELLICOTT - A Critical and Grammatical Commentary on the Pastoral Epistles - distinct from following resource

- [1 Timothy 3](#)

CHARLES J. ELLICOTT

A New Testament Commentary for English Readers (distinct from preceding - less Greek)

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

EXPLORE THE BIBLE 1 TIMOTHY COMMENTARY

- [Christian Service 1 Timothy 3:1-15](#)

EXPOSITOR'S BIBLE COMMENTARY Alfred Plummer

Rosscup - The author is lucid in his statements and has written a fair commentary based upon the Greek. Among older works it is not as helpful as Bernard

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

EXPOSITOR'S DICTIONARY OF TEXTS

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

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PATRICK FAIRBAIRN 1 TIMOTHY COMMENTARY

Spurgeon's assessment of Fairbairn's pastoral epistles: "What with a good translation, full defense of the Apostolic authorship of the Epistles, fruitful comments, and profitable dissertations, this volume is **about as complete a guide to the smaller epistles as one could desire.**" (From Spurgeon's [Commenting on Commentaries - Pastoral Epistles](#)) (Fairbairn is amillennial)

John Cereghin - What a good translation, full defense of the apostolic authorship of the epistles, fruitful comments and profitable dissertations, this volume is as complete a guide to the smaller epistles as one could desire. his old, standard treatment shows how pastors may use the Greek text to aid their exposition. A fine work in spite of its age.

D Edmond Hiebert - Uses the Greek text of Tischendorf and the author's translation on facing pages. A voluminous (nearly 450 pages) exposition by a conservative Scottish theologian. Still worth consulting but devoid of the results of recent scholarship.

Cyril Barber - A particularly appropriate reprint in light of the fact that so many men are leaving the ministry on account of its unusual pressures. Fairbairn provides a delightful example of exegesis aiding the exposition of the text.

- [1 Timothy 3](#)

A C GAEBELEIN Annotated Bible

James Rosscup - This dispensationally oriented work is not verse-by-verse, but deals with the exposition on a broader scale, treating blocks of thought within the chapters. Cf. also Arno C. Gaebelein, Gaebelein's Concise Commentary on the Whole Bible (I Volume, Neptune, NJ: Loizeaux, 1985), the Annotated Bible revised. The author was a popular evangelical Bible teacher of the first part of the century, much like H. A. Ironside in his diligent but broad, practical expositions of Bible books. Gaebelein was premillennial and dispensational, and editor for many years of Our Hope Magazine.

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

GENE GETZ - short videos emphasizing life principles

Rosscup - Getz has authored several books on character studies and life-style principles in biblical books. Here again he has much practical helpfulness as he points out traits that believers today can emulate in the enabling of the Spirit. The book is simple, well-organized, and contributive for a leader or any Christian in a devotional series day by day.

- 1 Timothy; Principle #6; [1 Tim. 3:1-7](#); A Profile for Christian Maturity: Leaders who are appointed to serve in shepherding roles in the church are to be selected based on a comprehensive biblical criteria for measuring Christian maturity. [Video](#)
- 1 Timothy; Principle #7; [1 Tim. 3:8-13](#); Qualified Assistants: Men and women who assist elders/overseers should, in essence, be just as qualified as those who manage and shepherd the church. [Video](#)

JOHN GILL COMMENTARY

James Rosscup - Gill (1697–1771), a pastor of England, wrote these which are two-column pages, ca. 900–1,000 pages per volume, Originally they were 9 volumes, folio. He also wrote Body of Divinity, 3 volumes, and several other volumes. His commentary is evangelical, wrestles with texts, is often wordy and not to the point but with worthy things for the patient who follow the ponderous detail and fish out slowly what his interpretation of a text is. He feels the thousand years in Revelation 20 cannot begin until after the conversion of the Jews and the bringing in of the fullness of the Gentiles and destruction of all antiChristian powers (volume 6, p. 1063) but in an amillennial sense of new heavens and new earth coming right after Christ's second advent (1064–65), and the literal thousand years of binding at the same time. He feels the group that gathers against the holy city at the end of the thousand years is the resurrected wicked dead from the four quarters of the earth (i.e. from all the earth, etc. (1067).

Spurgeon - Beyond all controversy, Gill was one of the most able Hebraists of his day, and in other matters no mean proficient...His [ultraism](#) is discarded, but his learning is respected: the world and the church take leave to question his dogmatism, but they both bow before his erudition. Probably no man since Gill's days has at all equalled him in the matter of Rabbinical learning.

He preached in the same church as C. H. Spurgeon over one hundred years earlier. Yet most people today have never heard of John Gill. This is unfortunate, since his works contain priceless gems of information that are found nowhere except in the ancient writings of the Jews.

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

GOTQUESTIONS

- [Book of 1 Timothy - Bible Survey](#)
- [1 Timothy 3 - What are the qualifications of elders and deacons?](#)
- [1 Timothy 3 - Can an unmarried man be a deacon or elder?](#)
- [1 Timothy 3 Does the Bible teach the celibacy of priests?](#)
- [1 Timothy 3 - Can women serve as deacons in the church?](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:2 What does it mean to be above reproach / blameless?](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:2 What does the "husband of one wife" phrase in 1 Timothy 3:2 mean?](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:6 How can an elder come under the same condemnation as the devil?](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:9 - What is the mystery of faith?](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:15 - What does 1 Ti 3:15 mean when it says that the church is the pillar and foundation of the truth?](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16 What is the mystery of godliness?](#)

GRACE GEMS

- [1 Timothy 3:16 The Glory of the Redeemer in His Ascension and Exaltation](#)

J GRANT

- [1 Timothy 3:16 - Godliness with Contentment](#)

L M GRANT

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

DAVID GUZIK 1 TIMOTHY COMMENTARY

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

JAMES HASTINGS Great Texts of the Bible

Each Message is 15-20 pages

- [1 Timothy 3:16 The Mystery of Godliness](#)

MATTHEW HENRY 1 TIMOTHY COMMENTARY

Spurgeon - A Christian man wishing for the cream of expository writers could not make a better purchase. Ministers, as a rule, should not buy condensations, but get the works themselves.

James Rosscup - This evangelical work, devotional in character, has been in constant demand for about 280 years. Its insight into human problems is great, but it often does not deal adequately with problems in the text. The one-volume form eliminates the Biblical text and is thus less bulky. It has sold very well. The late Wilbur M. Smith, internationally noted Bible teacher, seminary professor and lover of books, tabbed this "The greatest devotional commentary ever written". Henry was born in a Welch farmhouse, studied law, and became a Presbyterian minister near London. He wrote this commentary in the last 13 years before he died at 52 in 1714. The first of six volumes was published in 1708. **He completed through Acts, and the rest of the New**

Testament was done by 14 clergymen. (Ed: Thus James are not the comments of Matthew Henry).

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

DAVID HOCKING

- [1 Timothy - 41 pages of notes with lots of alliteration](#)

F B HOLE

- [1 Timothy](#) - From the Plymouth Brethren

DAVID HOLWICK - frequent illustrations

- [1 Timothy 3:1-7 Morals Clause](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:8-15 Deserving Deacons](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16 Jesus in a Nutshell](#)

ROBERT F HORTON

- [1 Timothy Commentary \(1901\) - The Pastoral Epistles - Timothy & Titus](#)

INTERNATIONAL CRITICAL NEW TESTAMENT COMMENTARY - Walter Lock

D Edmond Hiebert - Greek text. Lock leans to the conservative view but makes no pronouncements on the vexing critical problems. The notes on the Greek text are rather thin. Not up to the high standard of this series.

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

JOSEPH IRONS

- [1 Timothy 3:5 Pastoral Care](#)

H A IRONSIDE

John Cereghin - . Popular expositions. He urges the joy of soulwinning (14); stresses the enabling power of God (34); teaches unlimited redemption in Christ (55); emphasizes that only God can qualify men for the ministry (73); attacks Theosophy, Seventh Day Adventism, Christian Science (103); warns against the "social gospel" (111); holds that the Sermon on the Mount is for all believers (139); warns against evolution (155).

James Rosscup - He is staunchly evangelical, showing good broad surveys based on diligent study, practical turns, even choice illustrations. In prophecy he is premillennial dispensational....Many preachers have found that Ironside works, read along with heavier books on details of exegesis, help them see the sweep of the message and prime their spirits for practical relevance.

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

INTERVARSITY PRESS Philip H. Towner

James Rosscup - Favoring authorship by Paul (30–32), Towner provides a succinct, lucid commentary that sometimes explains verses or parts of them, sometimes ignores things (as “especially those who believe,” 4:10; “save both yourself and your hearers,” 4:16; or 2 Tim. 4:8, where the words do not really resolve Towner’s idea that a faithful life is necessary for receiving a crown, final righteousness, with this being of grace and not earned). Overall, the work seems below average, a mixture of being of some help and of little help, this depending on which verse. It will be of mediocre benefit only to those wanting a cursory, yet easily flowing guide. It grew out of Towner’s Ph. D. dissertation under I. Howard Marshall at the University of Aberdeen, Scotland, but does not approach Marshall’s usual kind of serious explanation.

- [3:1-13 Leadership Qualifications](#)
- [3:14-16 Motivation and Mystery of Godly Behavior](#)

JAMIESON, FAUSSET, BROWN 1 TIMOTHY COMMENTARY

Rosscup - This is a helpful old set of 1863 for laypeople and pastors to have because it usually comments at least to some degree on problems. Though terse, it provides something good on almost any passage, phrase by phrase and is to some degree critical in nature. It is evangelical. There is also a 1-volume edition, briefer at some points (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1961). Especially in its multi-volume form this is one of the old evangelical works that offers fairly solid though brief help on many verses. Spurgeon said, "It contains so great a variety of information that if a man had no other exposition he would find himself at no great loss if he possessed this and used it diligently" (Commenting and Commentaries, p. 3). Things have changed greatly since this assessment! It is primarily of help to pastors and lay people looking for quick, though usually somewhat knowledgeable treatments on verses.

Spurgeon - A really standard work. We consult it continually, and with growing interest. Mr. Fausset's portion strikes us as being of the highest order.

My Comment - This is one of the best older (Pre-1800) works on interpretation of prophecy as it tends to interpret the text literally and not allegorically.

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

UNABRIDGED VERSION

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

S LEWIS JOHNSON 1 TIMOTHY SERMONS

Audio & Transcripts from a former Dallas Theological professor. Conservative. Solid.

- [1 Timothy 3:1-7 The Office of the Elder - I](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:1-7 The Office of the Elder - II](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:8-13 The Office of the Deacon](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:14-16 The Secret of Godliness, the Truth We Defend](#)

LOWELL JOHNSON SERMONS ON 1 TIMOTHY

1. [Godly Characteristics for Church Leaders - 1 Timothy 3:1-13](#)
2. [The Purpose of Deacons - 1 Timothy 3:8-13](#)
3. [The Appearance of God - 1 Timothy 3:14-16](#)

WILLIAM KELLY - Plymouth Brethren

D Edmond Hiebert - A full, vigorous interpretation with a clear Plymouth Brethren emphasis.

John Cereghin - A careful exposition by a voluminous Plymouth Brethren scholar of the 19th century.

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

A E KNOCH - conservative, literal, discussions vary from 4 pages to more than 20 pages

- [Concordant Commentary on the NT](#) - scroll down for index

PAUL KRETZMANN (Lutheran)

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

LANGE'S COMMENTARY - J J VAN OOSTERZEE

D Edmond Hiebert - [Oosterzee, J. J. Van](#), "The Pastoral Letters," J. P. Lange's Commentary on the Holy Scriptures. Translated from the German. (1863). The abundant material is in three sections: exegetical and critical; doctrinal and ethical; homiletical and practical. A full evangelical treatment by a Dutch Reformed minister and theologian of the past century.

James Rosscup - The treatments of books within this evangelical set vary in importance. Generally, one finds a wealth of detailed commentary, background, and some critical and exegetical notes. Often, however, there is much excess verbiage that does not help particularly. On the other hand, it usually has something to assist the expositor on problems and is a good general set for pastors and serious lay people though it is old.

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

HENRY PARRY LIDDON 1 TIMOTHY COMMENTARY

[Explanatory Analysis of St. Paul's First Epistle to Timothy](#) (1897)

Cyril Barber - This "first century message to twentieth century pastors" is a work of rare merit, and we welcome its reappearance.

Liddon structures the text and intersperses his comments between the structured lines. Interesting but somewhat difficult to follow. There is also a considerable amount of Greek so a working knowledge of Greek would be necessary to derive the most value from this work.

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

J P LILLEY - The Pastoral Epistles

D Edmond Hiebert - Uses author's own translation. A scholarly, conservative work giving a comprehensive discussion of the Pastorals as a group as well as the individual epistles. A verse-by-verse exposition characterized by spiritual warmth and practical appeal.

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

JOHN MACARTHUR 1 TIMOTHY SERMONS

Excellent Expository Sermons. Recommended

Cyril Barber (commenting on MacArthur's printed commentary which is similar to his sermons) - This homiletic exposition ranks as one of the best on Paul's letter to Titus. It is thorough, practical, and vitally related to the needs of both people and the church. Pastors as well as lay people will appreciate the writer's insights. Recommended. (The Minister's Library - Volume 3)

James Rosscup - One of the world's most widely-known pastors gives articulate and rather detailed, basic expositions of verses with arresting illustrations. He deals with word meaning, flow of context, background, and sometimes mentions other views. The works are especially profitable for pastors, students, and lay readers aroused to read about main expositional issues and to grow.

- [1 Timothy 3:1 The Highest Calling](#)
- [1 Timothy 3 Study Guide on Elders and Deacons - see dropdown for 9 separate papers](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:1 The Call to Lead the Church--Elders -1](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:2a The Call to Lead the Church--Elders -2](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:2b-c The Call to Lead the Church--Elders -3](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:2d-g The Call to Lead the Church--Elders -4](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:3 The Call to Lead the Church--Elders -5](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:4-5 The Call to Lead the Church--Elders -6](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:6-7 The Call to Lead the Church--Elders -7](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:8-13 Qualified Servants for the Church--Deacons 1](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:8-13 Qualified Servants for the Church--Deacons 2](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:15-16 The Church's Confessional Carol of Christ](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16 The Heart of the Church's Mission](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16 A Resurrection Hymn](#)

J VERNON MCGEE

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)
- Borrow [1 Timothy in Thru the Bible, page 441](#) (Thru the Bible - 1 Corinthians - Revelation)

F B MEYER

- 1 Timothy 3:16
- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

H A W MEYER

D Edmond Hiebert - Greek text. A full exegetical treatment of these epistles by an evangelical German scholar of the past century. Scholarly and technical, providing references to scholarly views of the authors own times.

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

MIDDLETOWN BIBLE

- [1 Timothy 3: Qualifications of Elders](#)

J R MILLER - devotional

- 1 Timothy 3:15 The House of God

G CAMPBELL MORGAN - The Analyzed Bible - 1 Timothy

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

HENRY MORRIS

- [1 Timothy 3:1 bishop](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:2 one wife apt to teach](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:6 Not a novice condemnation of the devil](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:7 snare of the devil](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:10 first be proved deacon](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:11 wives](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:15 church of the living God](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16 mystery manifest in the flesh seen of angels Gentiles](#)

OUR DAILY BREAD

- [1 Timothy 3:1-10 In The Spotlight](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:1-13 Church Leaders](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:1-13 Do As I Do!](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:14-16 Character Ethic](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16 A Home For God](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16 A Good Church](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16 Christmas Mystery](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16 A Home For God](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16 The Man On The Cross](#)

NAM PARK 1 TIMOTHY SERMONS 9-10 page transcripts

- [1 Timothy 3:3](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:5-7](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:8-13](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:14-16](#)

NET BIBLE NOTES

- [1 Timothy 3](#)

JOSEPH PARKER

- [1 Timothy 3:16 - God Revealed](#)

PASTORLIFE - sermons

- [1 Timothy 3 :13-15 A Time For Children](#) J. Mike Minnix
- [1 Timothy 3 :16 I Love A Good Mystery](#) David E. Owen
- [1 Timothy 3 :8-13 When Opportunity Knocks](#) Vince Hefner

J C PHILPOT

- [1 Timothy 3:16 - Great is the mystery of godliness \(goto entry Dec 25\)](#)

JOHN PIPER 1 TIMOTHY SERMONS

- [1 Timothy 3:1-7; 5:17 Who Are the Elders? Then and Now](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:4-5 He Must Manage His Household Well](#)

MATTHEW POOLE

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

MATT POSTIFF

- [1 Timothy 3:1-7 \(docx\)](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:8-13 \(docx\)](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:14-16 \(docx\)](#)

PREACHER'S HOMILETICAL COMMENTARY 1 TIMOTHY

Interesting Resource - "Germ Notes", Sermon Ideas

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

RAY PRITCHARD

- [1 Timothy 3 Portrait of a Godly Leader](#)

PULPIT COMMENTARY 1 TIMOTHY COMMENTARY

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

REFORMATION STUDY BIBLE 1 TIMOTHY

- [1 Timothy 3:1](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:2](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:5](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:6](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:8](#)
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- [1 Timothy 3:10](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:11](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:12](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:14–16](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:15](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16](#)

ROB SALVATO 1 TIMOTHY SERMONS

- [1 Timothy 3 Church Leadership](#)
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JOHNNY SANDERS

- [1 Timothy - A Charge To Keep - 80 page Pdf](#)

JOHN SCHULTZ - 47 pages. Former missionary.

- [1 Timothy Commentary](#)

SERMON AUDIO - PDF'S - these vary in quality, so be an Acts 17:11+ Berean

- [1 Timothy 3 Sermons](#) - 461 PDFs

SERMON BIBLE

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

CHARLES SIMEON 1 TIMOTHY SERMONS

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

CHUCK SMITH

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)
- [Study Guide for 1 Timothy](#)
- [Sermon Notes for 1 Timothy 3:16](#)
- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary-4](#)

HAMILTON SMITH - From the Plymouth Brethren

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

R C SPROUL - Devotionals

- [1 Timothy 3:1 The Desire for Ordination](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:2-3 An Example to Be Followed](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:4-5 Caring for God's Church](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:6-7 When the Outside Looks In](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:8 Qualifications for Deacons](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:9 The Mystery of the Faith](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:10 The Testing of Deacons](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:11 Women Servants](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:12 The Deacon's Home](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:13 A Deacon's Reward](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:14-15 Upholding the Truth](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16 The Mystery of Godliness](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16 The Content of Belief](#)

C. H. SPURGEON 1 TIMOTHY SERMONS

- [1 Timothy 3:15 The Church - Conservative and Aggressive](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:15 The Church of God and the Truth of God](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:15 What the Church Should Be](#)

- [1 Timothy 3:16 Great Mystery of Godliness](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16 The Hexapla of Mystery](#)

CLAUDE STAUFFER - Calvary Chapel - 1 Timothy Sermon Transcripts each about 20 pages

- [1 Timothy 3](#)

RAY STEDMAN Expository Studies in 1 Timothy

- [1 Timothy 3:1-7 The Lord's Leaders](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:1-7 A Noble Task](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:8-13 The Lord's Servants](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:8-13 The Lord's Servants \(Devotional\)](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:14-15 God's Chosen Instrument: The Church](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:14-15 God's Chosen Instrument: The Church \(Devotional\)](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16 The Central Glory](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16 God's Mysteries \(Devotional\)](#)

RON TEED Expositions

- [1 Timothy 3:1-7 The Best You Can Be](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:2-3 Qualifications for an Elder](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:4-13 Before We Lead](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:14-16 The Most Important Responsibility](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:16 Fully Man and Fully God](#)

THEOLOGY OF WORK 1 TIMOTHY

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- [Covenant Community: Church Leadership - 1 Timothy 3:1-13](#)
- [Overseers/Elders in the Church - 1 Timothy 3:1-7](#)
- [If anyone sets his heart on being an overseer - 1 Timothy 3:1](#)
- [Elder Qualifications - 1 Timothy 3:3-7](#)
- [Deacons in the Church - 1 Timothy 3:8-13](#)
- [Deacon Qualifications - 1 Timothy 3:8-13](#)
- [Covenant Community: Timothy's Covenant Responsibility - 1 Timothy 3:14-16](#)
- [Conduct themselves in God's household - 1 Timothy 3:14-15](#)
- [The mystery of godliness is great - 1 Timothy 3:16](#)

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- [3:1-7 Who may lead the church?](#)
- [3:8-13 How to gain excellent standing and great assurance](#)
- [3:14-15 The Glorious Body of Christ](#)
- [3:16 The appearance of God](#)

DAVID THOMPSON 1 TIMOTHY SERMONS

Texas Corners Bible Church. Each transcript about 4-5 pages. Almost 200 pages total.

- [1 Timothy 3:1](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:2 \(Part 1\)](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:2 \(Part 2\)](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:2 \(Part 3\)](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:2 \(Part 4\)](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:2 \(Part 5\)](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:3 \(Part 1\)](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:3 \(Part 2\)](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:4-5](#)
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- [1 Timothy 3:7](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:8](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:8-10](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:11](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:12-13](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:14-16](#)

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- [1 Timothy 3:1-7](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:8-15](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:1-13](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:1-13a](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:14-15](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:14-16](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:14-16|](#)
- [1 Timothy 3:17](#)

JOHN TRAPP

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

BOB UTLEY

- [1 Timothy 3](#)

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- 1 Timothy 3:8-13 The character of church deacons
- 1 Timothy 3:14-16 The confession of church doctrine

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Notes on original Greek text

- [1 Timothy 3 Commentary](#)

THOMAS WATSON

- [1 Timothy 3:11 You may smite another—and never touch him!](#)

OCTAVIUS WINSLOW

- 1 Timothy 3:15 The Church of the Living God
- 1 Timothy 3:16 The Mystery of Godliness
- 1 Timothy 3:16 God was manifest in the flesh

- 1 Timothy 3:15 Goto October 9

GEORGE ZELLER

- [1 Timothy 3:14-16 The Mystery of Godliness and the Local Assembly of Believers](#)

SERMONS BY VERSE 1 TIMOTHY 3

The Christian Pastorate a Good Work	T. Croskery	1 Timothy 3:1
A Liberal Bishop	Christian Herald	1 Timothy 3:1-7
A Minister Above the Love of Money	Christian Herald	1 Timothy 3:1-7
A Well-Governed Family	Horace Bushnell.	1 Timothy 3:1-7
Humility in Ministers	Christian Herald	1 Timothy 3:1-7
Luther and His Children	J. Stewart.	1 Timothy 3:1-7
Ministerial Pride Rebuked	Scottish Christian Herald	1 Timothy 3:1-7
Ministerial Pride Rebuked	Christian Age	1 Timothy 3:1-7
Ministers not Contentious	W. Baxendale.	1 Timothy 3:1-7
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Preference for the Ministry	Philadelphia Press	1 Timothy 3:1-7
The Causes and Remedies of Pride	H. Melvill, B. D.	1 Timothy 3:1-7
The Dignity of the Christian Ministry	Erasmus.	1 Timothy 3:1-7
The Ideal Minister	A. Rowland, LL. B.	1 Timothy 3:1-7
The Office of a Bishop a Good Work	S. Davies, M. A.	1 Timothy 3:1-7
The Pulpit a Light and Tower	W. H. Van Doren.	1 Timothy 3:1-7
Vanity in Preachers	The Homilist	1 Timothy 3:1-7
Qualifications of Three Classes of Office-Bearers	R. Finlayson	1 Timothy 3:1-13
The Positive Qualifications of the Christian Pastor	T. Croskery	1 Timothy 3:2
The Negative Qualifications of the Christian Pastor	T. Croskery	1 Timothy 3:3
The Christian Pastor in His Home Life	T. Croskery	1 Timothy 3:4, 5
The Pastor Must not be a Novice	T. Croskery	1 Timothy 3:6
The Pastor Must have an Honest Preparation Before the World	T. Croskery	1 Timothy 3:7
The Qualifications of Deacons	T. Croskery	1 Timothy 3:8, 9
Accepting Mysteries of the Faith	A. B. Grosart.	1 Timothy 3:8-13
An Equivocal Life to be Avoided	Christian Herald	1 Timothy 3:8-13
Double Tongued	Christian Herald	1 Timothy 3:8-13
The Ideal Deacon	A. Rowland, LL. B.	1 Timothy 3:8-13
The Mystery of the Faith	Bp. Bickersteth.	1 Timothy 3:8-13
The Treasure of Truth Committed to the Church's Guardianship	T. Croskery	1 Timothy 3:10
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