

Message Notes

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Bible Focus: 1 Timothy 1:8-11

Current Series: Think Biblically

Message Title: This is Us

1 Timothy 1:8-11 – ⁸ We know that the law is good if one uses it properly. ⁹ We also know that the law is made not for the righteous but for lawbreakers and rebels, the ungodly and sinful, the unholy and irreligious, for those who kill their fathers or mothers, for murderers, ¹⁰ for the sexually immoral, for those practicing homosexuality, for slave traders and liars and perjurers—and for whatever else is contrary to the sound doctrine ¹¹ that conforms to the gospel concerning the glory of the blessed God, which he entrusted to me.

The law shows us that we are _____ as we

The law never tells us that _____
are _____

The law _____ us to _____

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Questions for Reflection and Discussion

1 Timothy 1:8-11

1. If Christians believe we are so sinful that Christ needed to die in order to redeem us, they why do we sometimes feel a need to cover up our sinfulness to other Christians?
2. If Christians believe we have needed and continue to need redemption from failing to keep the law, then why aren't Christians known for being people who easily admit we are wrong to others?
3. When you hear the commands in Scripture, do you tend to feel humbled and seek mercy or do you tend to want to justify yourself and prove you haven't really fallen short?
4. What is one problem area of your heart that the law is exposing to you right now?
5. Who is one person that you could be totally honest with and share what the law has exposed as a problem in your heart?
6. When you feel exposed by the standards of holiness in Scripture, what helps you turn to Christ for mercy instead of hiding or trying to justify yourself?
7. What questions do you have about the behaviors that these verses identify as sinful? Where will you look for answers?