

Sermon Title: **“SINCERE FAITH WITHIN YOU”**

II Timothy 1:1-7

- Much has transpired since Paul _____ his 1st letter & he _____ his 2nd letter to Timothy
 - Emperor _____ (remembered for being very cruel & _____) was the Emperor of Rome from between AD 54 to AD 68
 - It was under Nero that the _____ really persecuted the _____
 - It's from _____ that Paul writes his last letter (to Timothy)
- Grace, Mercy, & Peace
 - “Grace” ... in Greek is kind of like our “_____” it means “_____” (like saying – “Favor be with you”)
 - “Peace” is the Greek equivalent to the Jewish word “_____”
 - “Mercy” is ONLY found written in the letters to _____ & _____
- Paul's in the middle of a _____ when he's writing this letter to Timothy (& it's NOT looking good)
 - Part of the reason Paul's writing this 2nd letter to Timothy is to encourage Timothy to _____ him in prison
 - Paul's thankful for Timothy's _____ & devotion to God
 - Paul's _____ or what other people thought of him DIDN'T change how God _____ Paul (he had a clear conscience)
- Timothy came from a _____ (grandma & mom were believers)
- There were probably _____ that those who were associated with Paul might have felt because of Paul's imprisonment
- God's given each of us a spirit of power, love & discipline:
 1. Power = _____, strength, inherent power
 2. Love = (agape) this is God-type love (_____, selfless, _____ giving type love)
 3. Discipline = _____ - _____ or of sound mind