

## I Tim 4:16 - a view from the Bottom

1- a blessing in disguise - vs 16

The absence of human support heightened his awareness of the Lord's support.

2- a blessing in vs 17

2- a blessing in v. 18

cf vs 6-8 w/ v. 18. A man in x sees all things differently

### vs 18 - a View From the Pits

1- People are fickle + non loyal, fleeting (cf Am Waker in Depression p. 4) expect it from others  
2- The Lord is Faithful - Rejoice in yourself

3- the present can be faced, fruitful  
The pits can be fruitful

(1- Lord's presence -

(2) Lord's promise - Gospel was preached

(3) " prospect.

(4) The Lord be praised - doxology

### I - People Fickle

1- a sin to abandon brother

2- not to be embittered by such abandonment

### II Lord is faithful

1- stood by

2- strengthened

3- saved

### III Pit can be fruitful

1- awareness of Lord's presence

2- accomplishment of Lord's Purpose

3- Assured of Lord's Promise - we live by promises

(1) Delivered from

(2) Delivered to.