## IN SEARCH OF A MAN

"I searched for a man among them who would build up the wall and stand in the gap before Me for the land . . . " - Ezekiel 22:30

## THE KIND OF MEN GOD IS SEARCHING FOR

But flee from these things, you man of God, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, perseverance *and* gentleness. <sup>12</sup> Fight the good fight of faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called, and you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. - 1 Timothy 6:11–12

1. God Is Searching For Men Who Are Good But flee from these things, you man of God 1 Timothy 6:11
"these things" – specifically refers to "love of" (v. 10) - generally = that you love more than God
So when they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love Me more than these?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Tend My lambs." - John 21:15
2. God Is Searching For Men Who Are Good pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, perseverance and gentleness 1 Timothy 6:11
"pursue" – dioko =; to after, follow after someone
"righteousness" – with God (has to do with relationship) "godliness" – a life characterized by God (has to do with lifestyle) "faith" – conviction that something is – in this case God is true and everything He has promised is true  "love" – agape – love "perseverance" – (don't) "gentleness" – under control  3. God Is Searching For Men Who Are Good Fight the good fight of faith - 1 Timothy 6:12
"fight" – agonizomai = used of and to describe the straining and intensity to win the prize or the battle
I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith; - 2 Timothy 4:7