

## **Conduct in the Church**

### *Growing in Godliness*

#### Week #2 – The Husband of One Wife

#### 1 Timothy 3:2

#### **Review:**

- We discovered that Paul's purpose in this letter was so:
  - Believers would know how they should behave.
  - And know where they are to behave.

#### 1 Timothy 3:2

#### **1. Understanding the Biblical term**

- *"the husband of one wife"* should be literally translated as "\_\_\_\_\_"
- Paul is emphasizing \_\_\_\_\_ and not position.
- This conduct is applicable to \_\_\_\_ believers. 1 Corinthians 11:1

#### **2. Worldly conduct (many-woman man)**

- In what ways do you see our current culture defy or go against living out the faithful, devoted character of a one-woman man?
- Examples of worldly conduct:

#### **3. Godly Conduct (One-woman man)**

- Contextually, we can see that there are principles for Godly Conduct.
  - Throughout the Bible there are examples of living out the right relationship of a one-woman man.
    - Foundation for marital relationships. Genesis 2:24
    - The Ten Commandments condemn adultery. Exodus 30:14
    - Death penalty. Leviticus 20:10
    - Jesus calls even lust to be adultery of the heart. Matthew 5:27-28
    - The writer of Hebrews says that adulterers will be judged. Hebrews 13:4
  - Men should interact with women in \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Timothy 5:1-2
  - \_\_\_\_\_ are not excluded from this teaching.
  - The qualifications for a widow is a \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Timothy 5:9
  - The character of women is important in God's eyes.
    - Additionally, looking at 1 Timothy 2:9-10, women are to dress \_\_\_\_\_.
- The Church's conduct should be building a community characterized as a one-woman man.

#### Discussion questions:

1. What does it look like to be a one-woman man (or vice versa) in the church, workplace, home, and community? Even as a single person?
2. What other Biblical examples or verses might model or be helpful in understanding the character of a one-man woman?