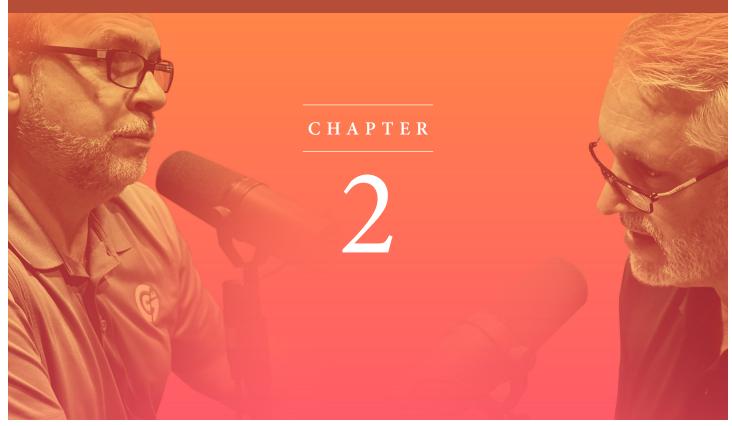


STUDY GUIDE

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THE BOOK OF

1 TIMOTHY

Guidelines for Christ-Centered Living



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The Story: Understanding the "Big Story" (30 min)

Old Testament: Walk Through the Broad Story (27 min)

Timeline: New Testament Beginnings (35 min)

Letters: Paul's Writing to the Churches-Part 1 (30 min)

REVIEW

In order to address the problem of false teachers of the law, Paul leaves Timothy in Ephesus.

Timothy is to do the following:

1) confront those who are incorrectly teaching the law of Moses (chapter 1),

2) encourage men and women to conduct themselves properly,

3) appoint overseers and deacons to assist in the leading of the church, and 4) conduct himself in a manner that is fitting (chapters 4-6).



MONDAY

Listen to the 1 Timothy 2 podcast.

TUESDAY

In light of today's email, read 1 Timothy and look for repeated character traits that are to be in all of Christ's church.



WEDNESDAY

Read 2 Peter 3:9 (a verse that is often quoted with 1 Timothy 2:4).

Who is the "you (plural)" that Peter is referring to in this verse?

What point is Peter making?

What point is Paul making in 1 Timothy 2:4?



THURSDAY

"Equality" is something that Satan has been selling from the beginning (i.e., *"you can be like God, knowing good and evil"*). However, were there ever two characters in the Bible who were actually equal (i.e., the same)?

Read Philippians 2:1-11, paying special attention to verses 5-6. Obedience and humility ought to be the concern of the believer.

FRIDAY

Paul uses the verb translated *"saved"* 29 times in his letters (Rom 5:9, 10; 8:24; 9:27; 10:9, 13; 11:14, 26; 1 Cor 1:18, 21; 3:15; 5:5; 7:16; 9:22; 10:33; 15:2; 2 Cor 2:15; Eph 2:5, 8; 1 Thess 2:16; 2 Thess 2:10; 1 Tim 1:15; 2:4, 15; 4:16; 2 Tim 1:9; 4:18; Tit 3:5).

Moreover, he uses the verb 6 times in his two letters to Timothy. Only in 1 Timothy 2:15 is it thought that he is not talking about salvation. While that is a possibility, it seems more likely that Paul is talking about salvation here as well. The point is not that bearing children saves a woman. However, it is true that the salvation of the world depended upon women bearing children since the Promised One would be the *"seed of the woman."*