



# Holy Living *in the* Household *of* God

**THE CHURCH FAMILY** (1 Timothy 5:1-16, pg. 1052)

# **1) FAMILY MEMBERS**

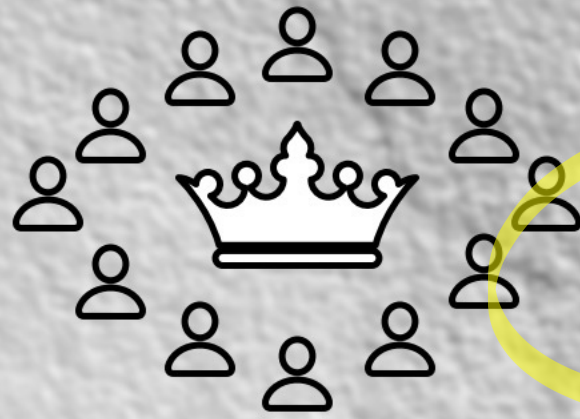
## **(1-2)**



**<sup>1</sup>Don't rebuke an older man, but exhort him as a father, younger men as brothers, <sup>2</sup>older women as mothers, and the younger women as sisters with all purity.**

**"People do not drift toward holiness. Apart from grace-driven effort, people do not gravitate toward godliness, prayer, obedience to Scripture, faith, and delight in the Lord. We drift toward compromise and call it tolerance; we drift toward disobedience and call it freedom; we drift toward superstition and call it faith. We cherish the indiscipline of lost self-control and call it relaxation; we slouch toward prayerlessness and delude ourselves into thinking we have escaped legalism; we slide toward godlessness and convince ourselves we have been liberated."**

**D.A. Carson**



A REDEEMED PEOPLE  
GATHERED AROUND  
THE RISEN CHRIST

KINGDOM OF  
THE SON



DOMAIN  
OF DARKNESS



**"Loneliness is far more than just a bad feeling—it harms both individual and societal health. It is associated with a greater risk of cardiovascular disease, dementia, stroke, depression, anxiety, and premature death. The mortality impact of being socially disconnected is similar to that caused by smoking up to 15 cigarettes a day, and even greater than that associated with obesity and physical inactivity."**

**Dr. Vivek H. Murthy**

**"If one could conceive of a single elixir to improve the physical and mental health of millions of Americans — at no personal cost — what value would our society place on it?**

**Going a step further, if research quite conclusively showed that when consumed just once a week, this concoction would reduce mortality by 20% to 30% over a 15-year period, how urgently would we want to make it publicly available?...**

**USA Today**

**"The good news is that this miracle drug — religion, and more specifically regular church attendance — is already in reach of most Americans. In fact, there's a good chance it's just a short drive away."**

**USA Today**

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**(1-2)**

**2) CARE FOR WIDOWS**  
**(3-15)**



## **2) CARE FOR WIDOWS (3-15)**

### **A) IN YOUR FAMILY (3-8)**



**<sup>3</sup>Support widows who are genuinely in need.**

**<sup>4</sup>But if any widow has children or grandchildren, let them learn to practice godliness toward their own family first and to repay their parents, for this pleases God. <sup>5</sup>The widow who is truly in need and left all alone has put her hope in God and continues night and day in her petitions and prayers; <sup>6</sup>however, she who is self-indulgent is dead even while she lives. <sup>7</sup>Command this also, so that they will be above reproach.**

**He answered them, "Why do you break God's commandment because of your tradition? For God said: Honor your father and your mother; and, Whoever speaks evil of father or mother must be put to death. But you say, 'Whoever tells his father or mother, "Whatever benefit you might have received from me is a gift committed to the temple," he does not have to honor his father.' In this way, you have nullified the word of God because of your tradition.**

**Matthew 15:3-6**

**Subsidiarity argues “that social problems should be addressed at the lowest and most local level possible.”**

**Evangelical Dictionary  
of Theology**

**<sup>8</sup>But if anyone does not provide for his own family, especially for his own household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.**

**Then his mother and brothers came to him, but they could not meet with him because of the crowd. He was told, "Your mother and your brothers are standing outside, wanting to see you."**

**But he replied to them, "My mother and my brothers are those who hear and do the word of God."**

**Luke 8:19-21**

## **2) CARE FOR WIDOWS (3-15)**

**A) IN YOUR FAMILY (3-8)**

**B) IN YOUR CHURCH  
FAMILY (9-15)**



**<sup>9</sup>No widow is to be enrolled on the list for support unless she is at least sixty years old, has been the wife of one husband,<sup>10</sup> and is well known for good works—that is, if she has brought up children, shown hospitality, washed the saints' feet, helped the afflicted, and devoted herself to every good work. <sup>11</sup>But refuse to enroll younger widows, for when they are drawn away from Christ by desire, they want to marry <sup>12</sup>and will therefore receive condemnation because they have renounced their original pledge.**

**<sup>13</sup>At the same time, they also learn to be idle, going from house to house; they are not only idle, but are also gossips and busybodies, saying things they shouldn't say. <sup>14</sup>Therefore, I want younger women to marry, have children, manage their households, and give the adversary no opportunity to accuse us. <sup>15</sup>For some have already turned away to follow Satan. <sup>16</sup>If any believing woman has widows in her family, let her help them. Let the church not be burdened, so that it can help widows in genuine need.**

**1) Do you honor your father and mother?**

**2) Do you honor your church family?**

**3) How do you show that honor?**





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