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Timothy

TRUTHS OF THE FAITH FOR THE NEXT GENERATION

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“ ¹⁶ All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,”

2 TIMOTHY 3:16 (NIV)

PAUL'S PURPOSE FOR WRITING TO YOUNG PASTOR TIMOTHY:

“ ⁴ (God) wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.”

1 TIMOTHY 2:4 (NIV)

“ ¹⁵ So you will know how people ought to conduct themselves in God's household, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of the truth.”

1 TIMOTHY 3:15b (NIV)

“ ¹ I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people— ² for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. ³ This is good, and pleases God our Savior, ⁴ who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. ⁵ For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶ who gave himself as a ransom for all people. This has now been witnessed to at the proper time. ⁷ And for this purpose I was appointed a herald and an apostle—I am telling the truth, I am not lying—and a true and faithful teacher of the Gentiles. ⁸ Therefore I want the men everywhere to pray, lifting up holy hands without anger or disputing.”

1 TIMOTHY 2:1-8 (NIV)

WHO WE ARE TO PRAY FOR:

■ _____.

■ Kings; Governing officials and those in _____.

WHAT WE ARE TO PRAY FOR:

■ _____ to be saved.

■ We can live _____ and _____ lives. (Compare to Jeremiah 29:5-7)

HOW WE ARE TO PRAY:

■ Four (*somewhat*) different kinds of prayer

- Petitions: *Making requests for specific needs.*
- Prayers: *General term for talking to God.*
- Intercessions: *Prayers and requests for others.*
- Thanksgiving: *Thanking God for His goodness.*

■ Lifting up _____ without anger or disputing.

Universal Principle: _____ . (Psalm 24:4)

Cultural Application for Men of Ephesus: *Lift those hands in prayer!*

“⁹ I also want the women to dress modestly, with decency and propriety, adorning themselves, not with elaborate hairstyles or gold or pearls or expensive clothes,¹⁰ but with good deeds, appropriate for women who profess to worship God.

¹¹ A woman should learn in quietness and full submission. ¹² I do not permit a woman to teach or to assume authority over a man; she must be quiet. ¹³ For Adam was formed first, then Eve. ¹⁴ And Adam was not the one deceived; it was the woman who was deceived and became a sinner. ¹⁵ But women will be saved through childbearing—if they continue in faith, love and holiness with propriety.”

WOMEN’S DRESS AND OUTWARD APPEARANCE

1 TIMOTHY 2:9-15 (NIV)

Universal Principle: Known for _____ and _____.

“⁴ As God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.”

COLOSSIANS 3:12b (NIV)

Cultural Application for Women of Ephesus: *Avoid gold, pearls, braided hair or expensive clothes.*

GENDER ROLES IN THE CHURCH

Most Common Positions:

COMPLIMENTARIAN: Belief that God created men and women equally in value and dignity, but differently (*complementary*) in roles with male leadership in the Church.

Complimentarian Strength: Most Faithful reading of 1 Timothy 2 text.

Complimentarian Weakness: Fails to fully account for women’s roles in the New Testament Church.

ROLES OF WOMEN THROUGHOUT THE BIBLE

- **Hebrew Word Ezer:** Used 2 times to describe Eve. 16 Times to describe God our Helper.
- **Gospels:** Women first to announce Jesus’ incarnation, messianic fulfillment, resurrection
- **Jesus:** Invites women to learn with disciples (*Luke 10:39*) and to teach Good News (*Matt 28:20*).
- **Romans 16:** Mentions eight female ministry partners of Paul including Junia, Priscilla, Phoebe.
- **Timothy:** Discipled by his own mother and grandmother. (*2 Timothy 1:5*)
- **Old Testament heroes:** Deborah, Ruth, Esther, Miriam, etc.

EGALITARIAN: Belief that both men and women are created equally in the image of God. They are equal in spiritual worth and dignity, and also in spiritual gifting and calling.

Egalitarian Strength: Recognizes significant roles women play in God’s Kingdom.

Egalitarian Weakness: Fails to fully recognize Bible’s teaching of God designed differences between the sexes, including role of spiritual oversight (*elders*).

Universal Principle:

God designed men and women _____ with _____ roles in the church.

Cultural Application for Men of Ephesus: *Women learn in quiet and not teaching.*

So What

One final problem: Interpretation of 1 Timothy 2:15a: _____.

DISCUSSION Questions:

COMMUNITY GROUP VIDEOS *available on the APP*

- 1- When you hear the topic for the message includes roles of men and women in the church what is your first thought?
- 2- Read 1 Timothy 2:1-8. What are some of the most important lessons on prayer?
- 3- How do you interpret 1 Timothy 2:8

“ Women (and men) will be saved through the birth of the child, Jesus.”

- 4- How would you sum up 1 Timothy 2:9-10 for today?
- 5- Read 1 Timothy 2:11-14. What is your first reaction? Do you find yourself closer to a Complimentarian or Egalitarian position on the role of women in the church? How do you approach the strengths and weakness of both positions?

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