

THE PLACE OF WOMEN IN THE LOCAL CHURCH Pt. 1
(1 Timothy 2:9-10)

A. Instructions Concerning FALSE DOCTRINE and CHURCH DISCIPLINE. (1)

B. Instructions Concerning PUBLIC WORSHIP and POTENTIAL LEADERS. (2-3)

1. The PRACTICE and PRIORITY of PRAYER in the LOCAL CHURCH. (2:1-7)

2. The PRACTICE of MEN LEADING in PRAYER in the LOCAL CHURCH. (2:8)

3. The PRACTICE & PLACE OF WOMEN in THE LOCAL CHURCH (1 Timothy 2:9-15)

a. A CONTEXTUAL OBSERVATION - 1 Timothy chapters 2 & 3 especially address primarily the conduct of Christians and issues in the _____. (3:14-15)

- Is the local church that important?
- How is the importance of the local church downplayed in our day, even in the evangelical church?

b. The EXHORTATIONS Regarding a Christian WOMAN’S EXTERNAL APPEARANCE. (2:9-10)

1. The *directive* is for Christian women to _____ themselves. (2:9a)

What can you learn from this? God treats adult Christian women _____ with the ability and freedom to make their _____ choices regarding what they wear within the guidelines of Scripture.

2. The *dress* that women are to wear is _____. (2:9b)

What can you learn from this? God, while allowing for various styles and preferences, wants Christian women to dress in a _____ fashion.

3. The *discretion* needed in the choice of apparel involves _____ and _____. (2:9c)

What can you learn from this? God wants women to exercise _____ and _____ with seriousness of spiritual purpose when selecting and wearing their clothing.

- What did inappropriate adornment involve in that day? (2:9d)
- What can you learn from this? While the world emphasizes the externals, God emphasizes the _____ reflected by appropriate _____.

4. The *declaration* of the Christian woman's _____ ("I've been saved & personally know Jesus Christ") should be accompanied by appropriate externals such as _____. (2:10)

Some questions for a Christian woman to ask herself:

- Does your _____ reflect your _____?
- Are you known for your _____ or good _____?
- Is your clothing spiritually _____ or sensually _____?
- Does your clothing draw attention to _____ or to the _____?
- Do you base your standards on _____ or God's _____?
- Is the bottom line personal _____ or public _____?
- Is your choice of clothes based on your _____ or _____?
- Is your appearance a _____ for Christ or a _____ to others?
- Does your appearance reflect godly _____ or worldly _____?