# 1 TIMOTHY

Chapter Two: 1 to 15

## Look for the answers to these questions:

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In Lesson One, we studied the **Benediction** ("Grace, mercy and peace") and the **Admonition** ("teach no other doctrine").

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[C] 2:1 to 3:13 Christian Duties

Now Paul teaches about the duties Christians have to society, and inside the Church.

This section has three parts:

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It is the duty of every Christian to pray for all people, and especially for our leaders in government.

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- For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.

Christians have a special ability to influence the society they live in – through prayer.

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If we do not pray for our government officials, who will?

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4 Ways we speak to God

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**Supplications** – Humble and sincere requests for help.

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**Prayers** – Expressions of devotion and praise to God.

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**Intercessions** – Prayers for others.

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Giving of thanks – acknowledgment of God's acts of goodness.

Our purpose in life is not to create a perfect society. This is the day to make known God's plan of salvation.

## 1 Timothy 2:3-4

- <sup>3</sup> For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour;
- <sup>4</sup> Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.

The door of salvation is open to all men, "whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free (1 Cor. 12:13). But only those who accept the conditions of salvation – faith in the Savior Jesus Christ – will be saved.

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4 Reasons Jesus is the only Savior

Paul now gives four reasons why Christ is the only way to salvation.

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4 Reasons Jesus is the only Savior

1. Only the true God can save us.

#### Isaiah 43:11

<sup>11</sup> I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour.

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2. Only God's Son can unite us with the Father.

#### John 14:6

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

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 God became a man – "the man Christ Jesus" – and gave his life for our sins.

#### John 1:14

14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

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4 Reasons Jesus is the only Savior

4. Only the perfect blood of Jesus can redeem us.

## **Ephesians 1:7**

In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

#### 1 Timothy 2:7

Whereunto I am ordained

 a preacher,
 and an apostle,
 (I speak the truth in Christ,
 and lie not;)
 a teacher of the Gentiles
 In faith and verity.

This is the message that Paul was ordained by God to make known.

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A preacher makes known the good news of the Gospel.

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Paul was an APOSTLE.
An apostle (literally, "a sent one") is sent out by the Lord under his divine authority. An apostle helps establish new churches and guides them in matters of order and discipline.

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## The Ministry of Paul

Paul was a TEACHER.
A teacher explains the Bible in a way that it is understood by the people.

#### Nehemiah 8:8

So they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and caused them to understand the reading.

#### 1 Timothy 2:8

8 I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting. Paul now returns to the topic of the Christian's duty to pray with this exhortation to Christian MEN:

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8 I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting. Of course, even an unbeliever can raise his hands. But are those hands holy? HOLY hands come with living a holy life.

#### Psalm 24:3-4

- Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place?
- <sup>4</sup> He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.

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8 I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting. Hands lifted to God symbolize a life submitted to him.

#### Hebrews 12:12-13a

- Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees;
- <sup>13</sup> And make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way...

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Now Paul speaks to Christian women about their duty to live in holiness and prayer.

#### 1 Timothy 2:9-10

- In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array;
- <sup>10</sup> But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.

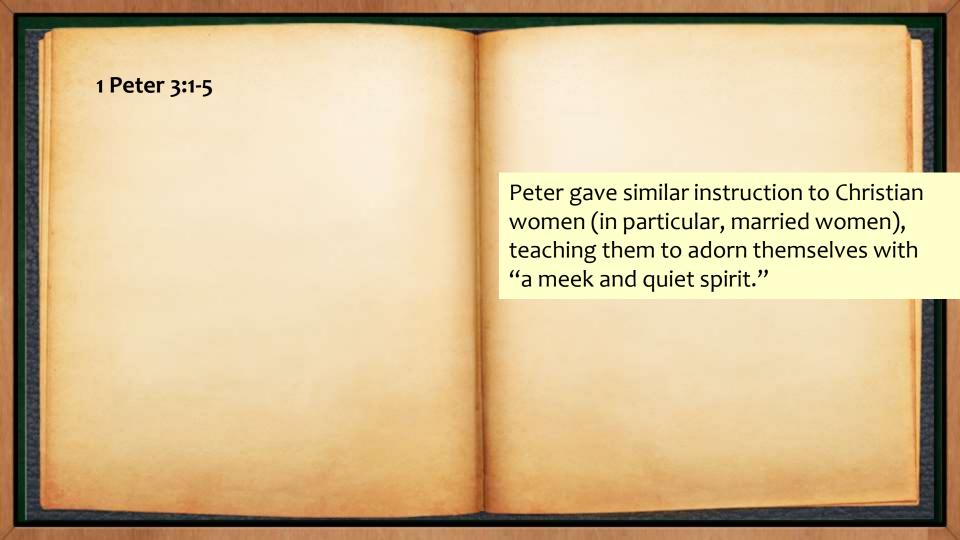
Women of the world desire to magnify their physical beauty through fancy clothes or hair. A woman of God seeks to magnify Christ through her good works.

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By saying "in like manner," Paul joins the idea of men "lifting up holy hands" to women who "adorn themselves" with "good works."

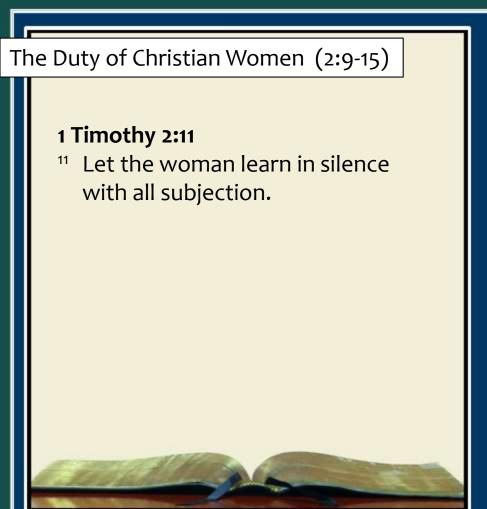
Both are indicators of hearts turned to God in submission and holiness.



## 1 Peter 3:1-5

- Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives;
- While they behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear.
- Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel;

- 4 But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.
- For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their own husbands:



In a congregation of men and women, a woman is to be a picture of respectful submission.

#### 1 Timothy 2:11

11 Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection.

## This is also taught in 1 Corinthians 14:

- Let your women keep silence in the churches:
  for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but they are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law.
- 35 And if they will learn any thing, let them ask their husbands at home: for it is a shame for women to speak in the church.

In the Church and in marriage, there should never be any argument about who is the head.

## Ephesians 5:23-24

- <sup>23</sup> For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.
- <sup>24</sup> Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so *let* the wives *be* to their own husbands in every thing.

Does the LORD *forbid* women to serve in his church? Certainly not!

We have the example of Phebe, a deaconess in the early church. (servant = diakonos, deacon)

#### **Romans 16:1**

I commend unto you Phebe our sister, which is a servant of the church which is at Cenchrea:

#### 1 Timothy 2:12-14

- <sup>12</sup> But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence.
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But in the Church, a woman should not occupy a position of authority over a man. Speaking with the authority of a true apostle of God, Paul gives three reasons why this is so:

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3 reasons Women are not to lead the church

#### The first reason:

It would suggest that the woman is now the man's master, having usurped [overthrown] his authority.

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God made man first. Woman was made from man (Gen 2:22), for man (Gen 2:18).

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#### The third reason:

The serpent did not trick Adam. It was Eve who "took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat" (Gen. 3:6).

Because of this, God put the woman under the man, telling her, "Thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee" (Gen 3:16).

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1 Corinthians 14:40 says, "Let all things be done decently and in order." A Christian household and a Christian church should show God's order of things.

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When life is lived according to God's ordinances, everyone is made whole.

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## Questions to test your understanding of this lesson:

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Each question is worth 10 points. Do NOT share your answers with other students.



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