

FIGHT FOR GODINESS A STUDY OF 1 TIMOTHY



MATTHEW 5:1-2 NIV

Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, ² and he began to teach them.

The Sermon on the Mount | MATTHEW 5-7

MATTHEW 8:1 NIV

When Jesus came down from the mountainside, large crowds followed him.

EADING VARIOUS CHURCH MEMBERS 1 TIMOTHY 5:1-6:2



Concerning Various Groups within the Church

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1 TIMOTHY 5:1-2 NIV

Do not rebuke an older man harshly, but exhort him as if he were your father. Treat younger men as brothers, ² older women as mothers, and younger women as sisters, with absolute purity.

Honoring Older and Younger Men and Women

1 TIMOTHY 5:3-6 NIV

Give proper recognition to those widows who are really in need.⁴ But if a widow has children or grandchildren, these should learn first of all to put their religion into practice by caring for their own family and so repaying their parents and grandparents, for this is pleasing to God. ⁵ The widow who is really in need and left all alone puts her hope in God and continues night and day to pray and to ask God for help.⁶ But the widow who lives for pleasure is dead even while she lives.

Honoring Older Widows

1 TIMOTHY 5:7-10 NIV

Give the people these instructions, so that no one may be open to blame. ⁸ Anyone who does not provide for their relatives, and especially for their own household, has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever. ⁹ No widow may be put on the list of widows unless she is over sixty, has been faithful to her husband, ¹⁰ and is well known for her good deeds, such as bringing up children, showing hospitality, washing the feet of the Lord's people, helping those in trouble and devoting herself to all kinds of good deeds.

Honoring Older Widows

1 TIMOTHY 5:11-13 NIV

As for younger widows, do not put them on such a list. For when their sensual desires overcome their dedication to Christ, they want to marry. ¹² Thus they bring judgment on themselves, because they have broken their first pledge. ¹³ Besides, they get into the habit of being idle and going about from house to house. And not only do they become idlers, but also busybodies who talk nonsense, saying things they ought not to.

Instructions for Younger Widows

1 TIMOTHY 5:14-16 NIV

So I counsel younger widows to marry, to have children, to manage their homes and to give the enemy no opportunity for slander. ¹⁵ Some have in fact already turned away to follow Satan. ¹⁶ If any woman who is a believer has widows in her care, she should continue to help them and not let the church be burdened with them, so that the church can help those widows who are really in need.

Instructions for Younger Widows



Join a Community Group



1 TIMOTHY 5:17-19 NIV

The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching. ¹⁸ For Scripture says, "Do not muzzle an ox while it is treading out the grain," and "The worker deserves his wages." ¹⁹ Do not entertain an accusation against an elder unless it is brought by two or three witnesses.

Honoring Preachers and Teachers

1 TIMOTHY 5:20-22 NIV

But those elders who are sinning you are to reprove before everyone, so that the others may take warning. ²¹ I charge you, in the sight of God and Christ Jesus and the elect angels, to keep these instructions without partiality, and to do nothing out of favoritism. ²² Do not be hasty in the laying on of hands, and do not share in the sins of others. Keep yourself pure.

Honoring Preachers and Teachers

1 TIMOTHY 5:23 NIV

Stop drinking only water, and use a little wine because of your stomach and your frequent illnesses.

Parenthesis of Care

1 TIMOTHY 5:24-25 NIV

The sins of some are obvious, reaching the place of judgment ahead of them; the sins of others trail behind them. ²⁵ In the same way, good deeds are obvious, and even those that are not obvious cannot remain hidden forever.

Honor the Law of the Harvest

1 TIMOTHY 6:1-2 NIV

All who are under the yoke of slavery should consider their masters worthy of full respect, so that God's name and our teaching may not be slandered. ² Those who have believing masters should not show them disrespect just because they are fellow believers. Instead, they should serve them even better because their masters are dear to them as fellow believers and are devoted to the welfare of their slaves. These are the things you are to teach and insist on.

Honor in Slave/Master Relationship



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