

God's

A Verse By Verse Study of First & Second Timothy

Church Manual

First Timothy Chapter Two

Verse 1 - “I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men.” Paul focused on the subject of prayer. He said, “first of all” stressing that the most important thing we can do in the midst of troubles in the church is to pray.

FOUR ELEMENTS OF PRAYER

Paul lists four elements that ought to be included in our praying.

They are:

1. Supplications – Making requests.

One thing for sure is the local church that is in trouble will have many requests to solve problems that only God can solve. To do anything in the power of the flesh will usually do more harm than good.

2. Prayers – The act of worship that should accompany prayer. Too many times, especially when facing problems, we pray with our own needs in mind, taking no time to worship the Lord.

3. Intercessions – Taking the needs of others before the Lord. We have already seen that there were some real troublemakers in the local church at Ephesus. Those people had some needs. Second Thessalonians 3:14,15 says, “And if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him, that he may be ashamed. **Yet count him not as an enemy, but admonish him as a brother.**”

4. Giving of Thanks – The phrase “give thanks” is found in thirty-one verses of the Old Testament and nine times in the New Testament. First Thessalonians 5:18 says, “In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.”



Verses 2,3 - “For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour.” God’s Word is plain concerning His structure of authority in the home, the church, the government, and on the job. We are to pray for “...all that are in authority.”

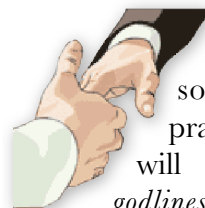
Since we are commanded to pray for “...all that are in authority,” there is no authority on earth that cannot be influenced by prayer. When we think of authority we usually think of governmental authority; however, this verse includes “...all that are in authority.”

CHILDREN PRAYING FOR THEIR PARENTS WOULDN'T THAT BE NICE?

What parent wouldn't be pleased if they knew when their children disagreed with them that they would go to the Lord honestly seeking the Lord's will in the issue? It would have also been better if Alexander the coppersmith (Second Timothy 4:4) had honestly sought the Lord's will in whatever issue he had with the pastor; however, we read he did Paul “much harm.”



The pastor is not always right; however, he is always the pastor, and he is always the God-given authority in the local church. If a church member believes the pastor is doing something contrary to the Scriptures, he should, “...first of all,” pray. When we sincerely pray, it always does something for the person who is praying. Christians who sincerely pray will “lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty,” and will not be approaching the pastor in an attack mode.



Prayer will give the concerned Christian the **meek and quiet spirit** he needs to talk to his

God-given authority in a Scriptural manner. The main goal of every pastor and every church member should be to do what is “...good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour.” Fighting against God-given authority is never “...acceptable in the sight of God.” It is no more acceptable with God for a church member to fight against the pastor than it is for teenagers to fight against the God-given authority in the home. What is acceptable is that we, “...pray for all that are in authority.”

CONTRARY TO CALVIN’S HERESY - GOD WOULD HAVE ALL MEN TO BE SAVED

Verse 4 - “Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.” Everything Paul said in his instructions to the pastor revolved around the truth being foremost in everything done or preached in the local church.

- **First Timothy 2:4** - “...the knowledge of **the truth**.”
- **First Timothy 2:7** - “...I speak **the truth**”
- **First Timothy 3:15** - “...the ground of **the truth**.”
- **First Timothy 4:3** - “...know **the truth**.”
- **First Timothy 6:5** - “...destitute of **the truth**.”

We have seen in chapter one that the pastor was to stop those who preached false doctrine, and then he was to preach the truth. The false doctrine that was prevalent in the church in Ephesus had to do with those who were telling church members that they needed to go back under the Old Testament Law. We do not have the same form of false doctrine today; however, there will always be someone who will attempt to lead church members astray.

In verse four we read very plainly that God’s desire is for “all men” to be saved. Calvinism teaches that God has predestined some to Hell. **This heresy is an outright attack on the character of God.**

The teaching that God has brought multitudes of people into this world for the purpose of seeing them burn in Hell is not only another doctrine, it is heresy! The pastor’s **first** responsibility as recorded in First Timothy is “...that thou mightest charge some that they teach no other doctrine.” (First Timothy 1:3) It does not say if they happen to be friends just

overlook their heresy and invite them to come and teach in your Bible college.

A survey* was recently taken among “Young **Fundamentalists**.” Seventy-two percent of those surveyed were graduates of Bob Jones University, Maranatha Baptist Bible College and Northland Baptist Bible College. Fifty-eight percent **of these “fundamentalists”** believed in Calvinism. (Believed God created millions of people for no other purpose than to have them burn in hell for eternity.) The colleges above would not endorse this heresy; however, the problem does not rest in what they are teaching, but what they are not teaching. It also rests in the fact that they allowed those who hold to doctrine that attacks the character of God to influence students.

* (Survey can be seen at -<http://www.sharperiron.org/downloads/2005%20Young%20Fundamentalists%20Survey%20Results.pdf>)

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Verses 5,6 - “For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.”

These verses do not say Christ is the mediator between God and *some* men. It very plainly says here that Christ “gave himself a ransom for **all**.” Since God desires all men to be saved, He made a provision for all men to be saved. Not only has the

provision been set in place for **all**, God invites **all** to take advantage of it. Romans 10:13 says, “For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

LET HIM BE ACCURSED

Paul said in Galatians 1:8-9, “But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach **any other gospel** unto you than that which we have preached unto you, **let him be accursed.**”

In case the pastor was slow to catch on, he said it again. “As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, **let him be accursed.**”

PAUL WAS NOT TALKING ABOUT GOING TO HELL

The Greek word used here is “*anathema*” and has nothing to do with someone going to Hell. It is referring to the Old Testament type of discipline in the Temple. Strong's Concordance says *anathema* is “A thing set up or laid by in order to be hung upon the walls or columns of the temple, or put in some other conspicuous place.” Someone who was guilty of heresy during the Old Testament was to be publicly **exposed** within the Temple. God's plan for local church discipline also demands the same thing in the local church. Paul used the language he used here because the Galatians would understand it from their previous Temple structure for discipline.

CHRISTIAN HERETICS

We have the incorrect idea that a heretic is someone who is totally opposed to the Scriptures; however, the only time the word heretic is mentioned in the New Testament is in Titus 3:10 where it refers to the Christian. There are many Scriptures commanding us not to allow false doctrine to be promoted in the local church.

Included in those instructions, we read in Titus 3:10, “A man that is an heretick after the first and second admonition reject.” According to Strong's Concordance the word “heretic” in this Scripture means, “...a follower of a false doctrine.”

The word “*admonition*” is used in the Bible when dealing with Christians. Romans 15:14 refers to the Christian when it says, “...**admonish one another.**” Second Thessalonians 3:14-15 says, “And if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him, that he may be ashamed. Yet count him not as an enemy, but **admonish him as a brother.**”

IF THIS IS NOT HERESY, WHAT IS?

Calvin said, “We call predestination God's eternal decree, by which He compacted with Himself what He willed to become of each man. For all are not created in equal condition; rather, eternal life is foreordained for some, eternal damnation for others.”

John Calvin taught that God is glorified by bringing people into this world for no other purpose than having them burn in Hell for eternity. The dictionary says heresy is, “an opinion, doctrine, or practice contrary to the truth.” According to Calvin God may have brought all the children in your home and in your church into this world so He could later watch them burn in Hell. **Calvinism is heresy! Those who promote heresy are heretics.** The command in Second Thessalonians 3:14,15 “And if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him, that he may be ashamed. Yet count him not as an enemy, but **admonish him as a brother.**”



The reason we have the disgusting results in the survey taken among graduates of the three Bible colleges mentioned previously, is the fact that the leaders in these colleges chose to disobey the command of God given in Second Timothy 3:14,15.

Referring to the fact that Jesus, “...gave himself a ransom for all.” (First Timothy 2:6), Paul said in verse seven, “Whereunto (The fact that Christ, “...gave himself a ransom for all.”) 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.” Paul said he was “ordained” of God to deliver the message “for all.” **We are**

commanded to separate from anyone who teaches otherwise.

AGAIN PAUL FOCUSES ON THE IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER

Verse 8 - “I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting.”

WITHOUT WRATH AND DOUBTING?

An issue like Calvinism might stir up a spirit of contention; however, Proverbs 13:10 says “*Only by pride cometh contention.*” It is a waste of time to cuddle our pride while we pray. The Bible says God’s people are to, “*...humble themselves, and pray...*” (Second Chronicles 7:14)

A close study of the Greek word translated doubting (*dialogismov*) will show that the word refers to human reasoning and opinion.

It is a waste of time to pray with a contentious spirit based on our opinions. **God does not have any opinions.** The phrase “*the truth*” is found in eighty-two verses in the Word of God, ten of which are found in First and Second Timothy.

Lifting up the hands while praying was a common thing to do in Paul’s day. Moses said, “*...I will spread abroad my hands unto the LORD.*” (Exodus 9:29). The Bible says, “*Solomon...spread forth his hands toward heaven.*” (First Kings 8:22) David said, “*Hear the voice of my supplications, when I cry unto thee, when I lift up my hands toward thy holy oracle.*” (Psalm 28:2)

THE EMPHASIS IS ON HOLINESS

The emphasis here is not the lifting up of the hands but rather, “*lifting up **holy** hands.*” Psalm 66:18 plainly says, “*If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me.*”

PROBLEMS WITH THE WOMEN

Verse 9 - “*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.*”

Acts 17:4 tells us of multitudes being saved under the ministry of Paul and Silas, and many of them were women. In Philippians 4:3 Paul referred

to “*...those women which laboured with me in the gospel.*” There is nothing as beautiful in the local church as a women who is determined to live in a manner that is honouring to God. According to verse nine, some women in the local church in Ephesus were not honouring God in how they dressed.

TWO WOMEN PORTRAYED BY HOW THEY DRESS

There are many opinions concerning acceptable dress standards for Christians. The Bible has many examples of good and bad dress. For example, the “*great harlot*” in the Book of Revelation symbolizes the end-time apostate religious system. In contrast, “*the bride*” of Christ represents the Christian. The contrast between the two women is portrayed by their outward appearance.

There can be no denying the Bible teaches the inner purity of character of a Christian woman is revealed outwardly by the way she dresses. Paul mentions “*...In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel... which becometh women professing godliness.*” (Verses 9,10)



It can’t get much plainer than that! “*Modest apparel...becometh women professing godliness.*” A woman who pretends to come humbly before God on Sunday, while dressing throughout the week (still before God) to be accepted by the world is a hypocrite.

Romans 12:1 says, “*I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.*” The word “*reasonable*” here means “*pertaining to reason or logic.*” In other words, if you think it through, it is reasonable for God to ask us to do this. The word “*service*” refers to us being servants bond slaves. A bond slave is “*one who voluntarily gives himself up to another’s will.*”

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THREE GREEK WORDS

First Timothy 2:9-10 says, “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; But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.”

WHAT IS MODEST?

God is not dealing here with the subject of wearing “pants.” He is dealing with the word “modest.” The dictionary says modest is “Having or proceeding from a reluctance to call attention to oneself.” The Greek word “kosmios” means “well-ordered, becoming,” and “dignified.” Verse nine refers to “apparel...hair,” and “pearls.”

Something that is well-ordered or not well-ordered comes from a decision of our mind. **There can be no doubt that a woman’s dress is a reflection of how she thinks.** Proverbs 23:7 says, “For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he.”

The Christian is commanded to renew the mind. **Romans 12:2** says, “And be not conformed (Translated “fashioned” in First Peter 1:14) to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.” First Peter 1:14 says we are to be “As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance.”

SHAMEFACEDNESS

The second Greek word Paul used is *aidos*, translated “with shamefacedness.” The term *aidos* occurs only in this text in the New Testament; however, its usage is frequent in the literature of Hellenistic (Greek) Judaism. It means “respect.” (To show a courteous yielding to the opinion, wishes, or judgment of another.)

“Shamefacedness” in this verse means if a woman respects God, her husband, her pastor, and her Christian friends, she will not want to embarrass any of them by how she dresses. To follow the dress standards of today’s society will most certainly embarrass God, and should embarrass every Christian. Women who



follow most of today’s modern dress fashions, do not even have respect for themselves.

WITH SOBRIETY

The third Greek word used to characterize the appropriate dress for the Christian woman is “with sobriety.” The word “sophrosune” is a compound of two words: “*sound*” (sos) and “*mind*.” (phrenes) It denotes mental vigilance, in the use of the mind to exercise restraint and self-control.

The Christian women must show self-control by restraining any desire to wear attention-getting clothes. A Christian lady’s dress should not say, “Look at me, admire me,” but rather, look at how Christ has changed me from the inside out.

Many Christian women today desire to look more like the models appearing on the covers of sensual magazines than they desire to look like what God wants. This is an indication that worldly magazines have more influence on them than the Word of God does.

THE PROBLEM STARTED WITH THE PASTORS

Unfortunately, like today, the pastors who were responsible to set the standard in the church at Ephesus did not do it. We have seen both the men and the women in the local church at Ephesus began a downward skid that brought the church to its ruin. One of those changes had to do with how women changed their dress from being modest to following the standard of the world.

The answer to the modesty question can be solved in a few seconds if women would honestly determine to dress according to what is acceptable to the Lord. **Maybe more women would do that if pastors were faithful in preaching what is acceptable.**

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Paul wrote much concerning the subject of Christians determining what is acceptable to God.

- **Romans 12:1** - “...*acceptable unto God.*”
- **Romans 12:2** - “...*prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.*”
- **Romans 14:18** - “...*acceptable to God.*”

• **Romans 15:16** - “...*might be acceptable.*”

- **Ephesians 5:10** - “...*what is acceptable unto the Lord.*”
- **Philippians 4:18** - “...*acceptable, wellpleasing to God.*”
- **First Timothy 5:4** - “...*acceptable before God.*”

When Paul was writing to the pastor in Ephesus he again focused on what is “...*acceptable in the sight of God...*” (First Timothy 2:3) When Paul wrote to the very carnal church at Corinth, he said, “*What? know ye not that **your body** is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: **therefore glorify God in your body**, and in your spirit, which are God's.*” (First Corinthians 6:19-20)

The church at Ephesus was following the Corinthian church down the path of carnality. The women were dressing immodestly and looking more like the prostitutes in the city rather than looking like Christian women.

GOD'S SHOWPIECE

During the Old Testament dispensation God wanted the Nation of Israel to be His showpiece to the world. In the New Testament dispensation it is God's desire that the local church be God's showpiece.

YOU CAN JUDGE A BOOK BY ITS COVER!

Anyone who takes a quick glance at a magazine stand will be able to tell what kind of magazines are there by the cover. On the same stand a person can buy a book giving information on how to fix your car or how to feed the lusts of the flesh.

When we see a car going down the street, we do not need to look under the hood to determine what kind of car it is.

The body of the car reveals that information. The same thing is true of a person. When people see us, they do not see the heart, they see the body. The Bible says, “...*man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart.*” (First Samuel 16:7)

In Jeremiah 2:32 we read about “...*a bride*” and “*her attire.*” In Proverbs 7:10 we read about “...*a woman with the attire of an harlot.*” In both cases we look on the outward appearance and immediately judge accordingly.

Paul simply challenges the Christian to “...*prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.*” (Romans 12:2) How a man or woman dresses makes a statement. For example, if the pastor showed up to preach on Sunday morning in skintight pants with his shirt unbuttoned halfway down his chest and six earrings in one ear, he would have already made a statement before he opened his mouth to preach. A woman who dresses immodestly also makes a statement without saying a word.

Verse 10 - “*But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.*” Professing godliness and following the immodest standards of the world do not mix.

IT ALL COMES DOWN TO HOW MUCH OR HOW LITTLE WE LOVE CHRIST!

I recently asked three young ladies who are members of our church to answer two questions.

1. What do you personally believe about the subject of modesty?
2. How did you develop your convictions about it?

Response # 1 - (Written at age twelve)

1. What do you personally believe about the subject of modesty?

“*What I personally believe about the subject of modesty is that it makes us different from the world. I think that modesty is about being modest and making sure that your whole body is covered in a proper manner. Skirts should be below the knee. Modesty isn't about showing your body off. God gave us our body and we need to be modest with it. Being modest, you need to set a good example for others to follow.*”



2. How did you develop your convictions about it?

“How I develop my convictions about it is that I pray to God everyday to give me strength. It isn't that easy as well at school. But our church and our family are going to hold a high standard. I also read my Bible so that I can know what God expects from me.

Dressing modestly is so that we aren't giving wrong impressions as a Christian to others who are not Christians. We need to show other Christians who aren't acting like one how to dress modestly, whether it be in any season, anytime or anywhere. We need to make our God proud while we are here on earth serving our Master.

It's good to start things like this at a young age so that you can do it out in the real world when you're older. Even if it may be hard for us in the government schools we still try to be modest, wearing skirts for everything and dressing our body appropriately.”

Response # 2 - (Written at age twelve)

1. What do you personally believe about the subject of modesty?

“I believe that modesty is very important for a Christian because Christians need to be an example for Christ.”

2. How did you develop your convictions about it?

“I realized that being a Christian means that you don't only need to act like a Christian and read your Bible, you have to dress like one and be an example that way as well....It is important to be a good Christian example no matter where you are.”

Response # 3 - (Written at age thirteen)

1. What do you personally believe about the subject of modesty?

“I believe that modesty is extremely important in a Christian's life...My thoughts are mainly based around this verse: “I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. (Romans 12:1) Anything from the Bible is not a suggestion; it is a command! The Lord doesn't "suggest" we present our bodies a living sacrifice; He commands it! When I get up in the morning to get dressed and I pull an outfit out of my dresser/closet, I first think, 'Is this modest and acceptable unto God?' Meaning, would God like it if I were to wear this?”



2. How did you develop your convictions about it?

“I developed my convictions about dressing modestly by reading the Bible and really thinking hard about why I need to dress modestly. We should dress modestly to please the Lord. If I really want to please the Lord and I really love Him, then I want to do everything I can for Him. He knows whether I want to please Him or not. I need to show I love the Lord with all my heart, and I do!

Being a girl in the public school system, is a challenge to dress modestly. Almost every day there is someone that asks me, 'Why do you wear a skirt every day?' I just answer "The Lord commands us to present our bodies a living sacrifice," and they say, 'What???' I

explain to them that God has standards for Christians. They are preached in our church, but that isn't the only reason why I do it.

It's because the Lord commands it; and if He commands it, we must be obedient...He wants us to do it with a willing heart. I have committed my life to the Lord. Whatever or wherever He wants me to do or go, I am willing...I do not know where God will lead me,...but I continue to pray about it everyday and where He wants me to serve Him. I will follow anywhere, near or far away.”



PAUL TURNS HIS ATTENTION TO GOD'S AUTHORITY STRUCTURE

Verses 11-15 - “Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection. But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence. For Adam was first formed, then Eve. And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression. Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.”

This is not an easy portion of Scripture to understand. We will look at it by keeping it in its context and by comparing Scripture with Scripture. First Paul said, “Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection.” First Corinthians 14:34 says, “Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak.”

KEEPING IT IN CONTEXT

The context of First Corinthians 14:34 has to do with speaking in tongues; however, we see the principle is established in both Scriptures concerning the position of women in the local church. The focus is on God's structure of authority. Women should be thankful that they are not responsible concerning leadership in the local church.

Verse 13 - “For Adam was first formed, then Eve.” God could have made the woman first; however, He did not. Genesis 2:20 tells us the woman was made to be “...an help meet” for Adam. God's purpose for a woman is to make her husband successful in God's definition of the word successful. Most women have their hands full with that responsibility without being concerned about leadership in the local church.

“The Lord doesn't "suggest" we present our bodies a living sacrifice; He commands it! “

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EVE LISTENED TO THE DEVIL AND ADAM LISTENED TO HIS WIFE

Eve said, “The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.” (Genesis 3:13) Adam was not deceived.

There are many opinions concerning what modesty is; however, God does not have any opinions about anything. He deals in facts! It should be the desire of every Christian to learn what is “...acceptable unto the Lord.” (Ephesians 5:10)



“I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.” (Romans 12:1,2)



“Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is.”

(Ephesians 5:17)

Who is determining your dress standard?

God charged him with listening to the advice of his wife to follow her in her sin. Genesis 3:17 tells us God said to Adam, “**Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast**

eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life;”

ABRAHAM MADE THE SAME MISTAKE

In Genesis 16:2 “Abram hearkened to the voice of Sarai,” and the result was the beginning of all the wars in the Middle East to this day. Both Eve and Sarai started out with a great testimony for God and both of them changed.



The men and women in Ephesus also started out with a good testimony, but they changed. Like the Corinthians they ignored Paul when he said, “But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.” (Second Corinthians 11:3) The Bible says, “...the woman being deceived was in the transgression.”

Verse 15 - “Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.”

A TREMENDOUS OPPORTUNITY FOR WOMEN

The phrase “...she shall be saved,” has nothing to do with eternal life. Many times the word saved is used in Scripture referring to being saved physically. For example, in Acts 27:31 we read, “Paul said to the centurion and to the soldiers, Except these abide in the ship, ye cannot be saved.”

CHILDBEARING

The term childbearing relates to the home. Verse fifteen contains the words “holiness with sobriety.” The word “sobriety” is only found twice in the Word of God. First, in verse nine where it deals with a woman’s modesty and again in verse fifteen where it deals with a mother teaching her children in the home.

In Titus 2:3-6 God again focuses on the home where we read, “The aged women...as becometh holiness...teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home...”

We must always keep Bible verses in their context. The context of First Timothy 2:15 is used in the sense of a woman not having to be involved in leadership in the local church to be successful.

Paul focused here on the tremendous and very rewarding responsibility of women teaching their children so that they will “...continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.”

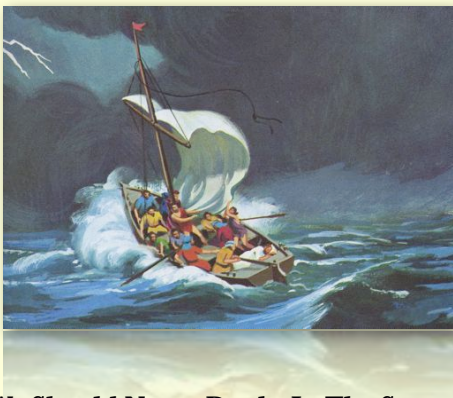
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Notice also the word “notwithstanding” in verse fifteen. This word means “in spite of” and refers to the fact that in spite of being deceived the woman can save herself from a life of defeat as a Christian by teaching her children to “...continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.”

Proverbs 31, speaking of the virtuous woman says, “...her price is far above rubies...The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her.” It says, “Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her.”

*“And he said unto them, Why are ye so fearful?
how is it that ye have no faith?”*

(Mark 4:40)



**We Should Never Doubt In The Storm
What God Has Revealed In The Sunshine.**

Earlier, in verse thirty-five He had told them that they were going over, “...unto the other side.”

**WAKE UP PARENTS!
WAKE UP PREACHERS!
WOULD YOU LET YOUR YOUNG PEOPLE
LOOK FOR A PIECE OF CAKE IN A
GARBAGE CAN?**

I recently made a survey of only fifteen young people from Independent Baptist churches in our area who were on facebook. There are at least three times that many fundamental Independent Baptist young people in Ontario on this social networking site. On sites of fundamental independent Baptist young people **I found...**



1. Pictures of boys and girls kissing.
2. Pictures of punk rockers.
3. Pictures of people drinking booze.
4. Demonic and occult graphics.
5. Vulgar sexual comments.
6. Pictures of girls kissing and licking other girls.
7. Picture a man wearing a bra.
8. Promotion of a “friendship beer.”
9. Video of a half naked man dancing.
10. Logo advertising “Send Me a Drink at Happy Hour.”
11. Close up photograph of a man’s privates.
12. A “**Sex Button**” that says, “Browse profiles of hot looking people and Have Sex! with them in different positions and places! Put a “Have Sex!” button on your profile so your friends can Have Sex! with you.”
13. One button said, “Someone has a crush on you. Press this button to see who it is.” I pushed it and immediately my computer screen was flooded with the filthiest possible pornography. I am not talking about a few nude pictures. **I am talking about the rankest possible pornography.**
14. I also found over a dozen fundamental independent Baptist pastors and youth workers, mostly here in Ontario, who are on facebook.

Are fundamental independent pastors that far from God that we can put our stamp of approval on this trashy site?

(God Help Us!)

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