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1 Timothy

1 Timothy 1

1 Timothy 1:1

ULT

¹ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the command of God our Savior and of the Lord Jesus Christ our hope,

UST

¹ {From} Paul, a man who represents Jesus the Messiah. This is what God, the one who saves us, and {our} Lord Jesus the Messiah, in whom we hope, commanded me to do.

How was Paul made an apostle of Christ Jesus?

Paul was made an apostle by to the commandment of God.

1 Timothy 1:2

ULT

² to Timothy, a true son in the faith: Grace, mercy, peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

UST

² You, Timothy, are {like} a true son to me as a fellow believer. May God the Father and our Lord Jesus the Messiah act kindly and mercifully to you, and keep you peaceful.

What was the relationship between Paul and Timothy?

Timothy was Paul's true son in the faith.

1 Timothy 1:3**ULT**

³ As I urged you when I was going into Macedonia, remain in Ephesus so that you can command certain ones not to teach differently,

UST

³ {I urge you now,} just as I urged you when I was going to the province of Macedonia, to remain in the city of Ephesus. Stay there so that you can command certain men there to stop teaching people things that are different {from what is true}.

Where did Paul urge Timothy to remain?

He urged Timothy to remain in Ephesus.

What was Timothy to command certain people not to do?

He was to command them not to teach differently.

1 Timothy 1:4**ULT**

⁴ and not to pay attention to myths and endless genealogies, which promote arguments rather than the stewardship of God, which {is} by faith.

UST

⁴ Instruct them to stop focusing on old useless stories and endless lists of ancestors. Those things {only} cause people to argue with each other. They do not help God's plan to move forward. That happens when we trust in God.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 1:5**ULT**

⁵ Now the goal of this command is love from a pure heart, and a good conscience, and a sincere faith,

UST

⁵ We insist on these things so that {God's} people will love {each other}. They will do this when they desire only what is good, when they know confidently that they are doing the right things, and when they genuinely trust in God.

What did Paul say was the goal of his commandment and teaching?

The goal of his commandment was love from a pure heart, from a good conscience, and from sincere faith.

1 Timothy 1:6**ULT**

⁶ from which some, having missed the mark, have turned away to foolish talk,

UST

⁶ Some people have rejected these good things. Instead, they prefer to teach useless things.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 1:7**ULT**

⁷ wanting to be teachers of the law, not understanding either what they are saying or about which they make confident affirmations.

UST

⁷ They desire to be teachers of the laws {that God gave to Moses}, but they do not understand the things that they talk about, nor the things that they insist are true.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 1:8**ULT**

⁸ But we know that the law (is) good, if one uses it lawfully,

UST

⁸ But we know that the laws {that God gave to Moses} are helpful if people use them in the right way.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 1:9**ULT**

⁹ knowing this, that the law is not made for the righteous, but for the lawless and the rebellious, the ungodly and the sinful, the godless and the profane, father-killers and mother-killers, man-slayers,

UST

⁹ We know that God does not establish laws for people who do what is right, but for people who act as though there are no laws and who refuse to obey anyone. God establishes laws for those who do not honor God and for those who sin, for those who do not revere God and who pay no attention to him. He establishes laws for those who murder their fathers, for those who murder their mothers, and for those who murder other people.

For whom is the law made?

The law is for lawless, rebellious, ungodly people, and sinners.

1 Timothy 1:10**ULT**

¹⁰ the immoral, male-liars, man-stealers, liars, perjurers, and if anything else is contrary to healthy teaching,

UST

¹⁰ {God establishes laws for} people who are sexually immoral, men who have sexual relations with other men, those who kidnap people {and sell them as slaves}, liars, those who are false witnesses {in courts of law}, and every other action that is contrary to {our} true teaching.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 1:11**ULT**

¹¹ according to the gospel of glory of the blessed God, with which I have been entrusted.

UST

¹¹ {This teaching} comes from the good news about {our} wonderful God, whom we praise. This is the good news that he gave to me {to announce to others}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 1:12**ULT**

¹² I have gratitude to the one who strengthened me, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he considered me trustworthy, placing me into service,

UST

¹² I am grateful to Jesus our Lord the Messiah who enabled me {to do this work}, because he considered that he could trust me. So he appointed me to serve {him}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 1:13**ULT**

¹³ formerly being a blasphemer and a persecutor and an aggressor, but I was shown mercy because not knowing, I acted in unfaithfulness.

UST

¹³ Formerly I said false things about him, I caused his people to suffer, and I acted very violently {toward them}. But the Messiah acted kindly to me since I did not know that what I was doing was wrong. I did not know that what I was doing was wrong because I did not believe in him.

What sins did Paul formerly commit?

Paul was a blasphemer, persecutor, and a violent man.

1 Timothy 1:14**ULT**

¹⁴ Indeed, the grace of our Lord overflowed with the faith and love that {are} in Christ Jesus.

UST

¹⁴ Our Lord abundantly did {for me} what I did not deserve, allowing me to believe in the Messiah Jesus and to love him as someone who belongs to him.

What overflowed to Paul, resulting in Paul becoming an apostle of Jesus Christ?

The grace of our Lord overflowed to Paul.

1 Timothy 1:15**ULT**

¹⁵ This word {is} trustworthy and worthy of all acceptance, “Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners”—of whom I am the first.

UST

¹⁵ Everyone should trust this statement and accept it completely: “Jesus the Messiah came into the world to save sinful people {so that God would not punish them for their sins}.” {As for me,} I have sinned worse than all the others.

Who did Christ Jesus come into the world to save?

Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 Timothy 1:16**ULT**

¹⁶ But for this reason I was shown mercy, so that in me, the first, Jesus Christ might demonstrate all patience as an example for those who would trust in him for eternal life.

UST

¹⁶ But this is why the Messiah Jesus acted mercifully to me. Since I am the person who has sinned worse than all others, he used me as an example to show how perfectly patient he is with people. He wanted to show this to the people who would later believe in him and, as a result, would live forever.

Why does Paul say God gave him mercy?

God gave Paul mercy so that Jesus could demonstrate his patience in Paul as an example.

1 Timothy 1:17**ULT**

¹⁷ Now to the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, {be} honor and glory to eternity forever. Amen.

UST

¹⁷ So let us honor and praise the one who is the eternal king, the one whom no one can see and who can never die! He alone is God. Let us praise him forever and ever! May it be so!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 1:18**ULT**

¹⁸ This command I am placing before you, {my} child, Timothy, in accordance with the earlier prophecies about you, that by them you might fight the good fight,

UST

¹⁸ Timothy, you are like a son to me. I am telling you to do these things in agreement with what people previously prophesied about you. I want those messages to encourage you to serve God as diligently as a soldier would obey a commanding officer.

What did Paul tell Timothy to do in accordance with the prophecies made about Timothy?

Paul tells Timothy to fight the good fight.

1 Timothy 1:19**ULT**

¹⁹ holding faith and a good conscience, which some, having rejected, have shipwrecked regarding the faith,

UST

¹⁹ Continue to trust {in the Lord Jesus} and to do only what you know to be right! Some people have stopped doing this and so have destroyed their relationship with God.

What happened to some who rejected their faith and their good conscience?

These people have shipwrecked their faith.

1 Timothy 1:20**ULT**

²⁰ of whom are Hymenaeus and Alexander, whom I have given over to Satan so that they may be taught not to blaspheme.

UST

²⁰ Among the ones who have done this are Hymenaeus and Alexander. I put them into the control of Satan so that {when Satan makes them suffer} they may learn not to insult God.

What did Paul do for those men who had rejected faith and a good conscience and had shipwrecked their faith?

Paul gave them over to Satan so that they may be taught not to blaspheme.

1 Timothy 2

1 Timothy 2:1

ULT

¹ I urge, therefore, first of all, for requests, prayers, intercessions, thanksgivings to be made for all men,

UST

¹ Because of those things, the most important thing that I encourage {believers to do} is to {continually} pray to God on behalf of everyone. They should ask God for what they need, and also for what other people need, and they should thank God {for everything that he does}.

For whom does Paul request that prayers be made?

Paul requests prayers be made for all people.

1 Timothy 2:2

ULT

² for kings and all those who are in authority, so that we may live a peaceful and quiet life in all godliness and dignity.

UST

² {They should pray} for kings and for everyone who governs {over others} so that we can live peacefully and quietly. {That way we can do} all that God and others consider to be right and proper.

What kind of life does Paul desire Christians be allowed to live?

Paul desires that Christians be allowed to live a peaceful and quiet life in all godliness and dignity.

1 Timothy 2:3

ULT

³ This {is} good and acceptable before God our Savior,

UST

³ It is good {to pray like that}, and it pleases God, who saves us.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 2:4**ULT**

⁴ who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

UST

⁴ God desires to save all people. He wants everyone to fully know and accept his true message.

What does God desire for all people?

God desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

1 Timothy 2:5**ULT**

⁵ For {there is} one God, and one mediator of God and of men—the man Christ Jesus,

UST

⁵ That is because there is only one God {of everyone}, and there is only one person who can bring God and human beings together. That person is the Messiah Jesus, who is human himself.

What is Christ Jesus' position between God and man?

Christ Jesus is the one mediator between God and man.

1 Timothy 2:6**ULT**

⁶ the one who gave himself {as} a ransom for all, the testimony in its own times,

UST

⁶ He willingly died {as a sacrifice} in order to rescue all people {from sin and death}. {He died} at the perfect time, and his death showed {that God desires to save all people}.

What did Christ Jesus do for all?

Christ Jesus gave himself as a ransom for all.

1 Timothy 2:7**ULT**

⁷ for which I was made a herald and an apostle—I am speaking the truth in Christ, I am not lying—a teacher of the nations in faith and truth.

UST

⁷ It is to declare this message that God has appointed me to speak for him and has sent me to represent him. As surely as I belong to the Messiah, I am telling the truth. I am not lying! {God sent me} to teach those who are not Jews that they should believe God's true message.

Who does the apostle Paul teach?

Paul is a teacher of the nations.

1 Timothy 2:8**ULT**

⁸ Therefore, I want the men in every place to pray, lifting up holy hands without anger and argument,

UST

⁸ Therefore, I want men in every place {where believers worship} to pray {to God}. They should live in a way that pleases God, lifting their hands to pray rather than because they are angry or quarreling {with someone}.

What does Paul want men to do?

Paul wants men to pray and lift up holy hands.

1 Timothy 2:9**ULT**

⁹ likewise women to adorn themselves in proper attire, with modesty and self-control, not in braids and gold, or pearls, or expensive clothing,

UST

⁹ Similarly, {when gathering to worship God,} the women should wear appropriate clothing that is modest and sensible. They should not try to beautify themselves with elaborate hairstyles, or gold jewelry, or pearls, or expensive clothing.

What does Paul want women to do?

Paul wants women to dress modestly and with self-control.

1 Timothy 2:10**ULT**

¹⁰ but what befits women professing godliness, through good works.

UST

¹⁰ Instead, {they should beautify themselves by doing} the things that women who claim to worship God should do. That is, {they should be doing} good things {for other people}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 2:11**ULT**

¹¹ Let a woman learn in quietness, in all submission.

UST

¹¹ Women should learn quietly {from the leaders of the congregation}, remaining subordinate to them at all times.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 2:12**ULT**

¹² But I do not permit a woman to teach or to have authority over a man, but to be in quietness.

UST

¹² But I do not allow women to teach men, nor to have authority over men. Instead, women should remain quiet.

What does Paul not permit a woman to do?

Paul does not permit a woman to teach or to exercise authority over a man.

1 Timothy 2:13**ULT**

¹³ For Adam was formed first, then Eve,

UST

¹³ After all, God made Adam first, and afterwards he made Eve,

What is the first reason that Paul gives for not permitting a woman to teach or exercise authority over a man?

Paul's first reason is that Adam was formed first.

1 Timothy 2:14**ULT**

¹⁴ and Adam was not deceived, but the woman, having been deceived, came into transgression.

UST

¹⁴ and the snake did not deceive Adam. The snake deceived the woman {so that she did what God had told her not to do,} and she become a sinner.

What is the second reason that Paul gives for not permitting a woman to teach or exercise authority over a man?

Paul's second reason is that Adam was not deceived.

1 Timothy 2:15**ULT**

¹⁵ But she will be saved through childbearing, if they remain in faith and love and holiness with self-control.

UST

¹⁵ But {even though she did that,} God will save women, although {they must still endure the pain of} bearing children, if they continue to trust in God, and to love others, and to live in a way that pleases God, and to behave sensibly.

In what does Paul want women to remain?

Paul wants women to continue in faith and love and sanctification with soundness of mind.

1 Timothy 3

1 Timothy 3:1

ULT

¹ This word {is} trustworthy: "If someone aspires to be an overseer, he desires a noble work."

UST

¹ Everyone should trust this statement: "If anyone aspires to be a leader of the believers, he desires to do a good task."

What kind of work is the work of an overseer?

The work of an overseer is good work.

1 Timothy 3:2

ULT

² Therefore, the overseer must be irreproachable, a husband of one wife, sober, self-controlled, orderly, hospitable, able to teach,

UST

² For that reason, a leader of the believers must be someone whom no one can rightly accuse of doing anything bad. He must be faithful to his wife. He must not do anything excessively. He must think in wise ways. He must behave well. He must welcome guests into his home. He must be able to teach others.

What must an overseer be able to do?

An overseer must be able to teach.

1 Timothy 3:3

ULT

³ not a drunkard, not a brawler, but gentle, peaceful, not money-loving,

UST

³ He must not be a drunkard and must not be quick to fight. Instead, he must be gentle and must not be quarrelsome. He must not love money.

How must an overseer handle alcohol and money?

An overseer must not be a drunkard, and must not love money.

1 Timothy 3:4**ULT**

⁴ managing his own household well, having children in obedience with all honor

UST

⁴ He must lead and care for his own family well. His children should obey and completely respect him.

How should an overseer's children treat him?

An overseer's children must obey and honor him.

1 Timothy 3:5**ULT**

⁵ (for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he take care of the church of God?),

UST

⁵ After all, if anyone does not know how he should lead and care for the people who live in his own house, he certainly cannot care for the gathering of God's people!

Why is it important that an overseer manage his household well?

It is important because if he cannot manage his household well, he will likely not care well for a church.

1 Timothy 3:6**ULT**

⁶ not a new convert, so that he may not fall, being puffed up, into the judgment of the devil.

UST

⁶ Do not appoint a new believer {to be a leader of the believers}, because he might become proud. Then God would judge him for the same reason as he judged the devil.

What is the danger if the overseer is a new convert?

The danger is that he will be puffed up and fall into condemnation.

1 Timothy 3:7**ULT**

⁷ But he must also have a good reputation with those outside, so that he may not fall into disgrace and the trap of the devil.

UST

⁷ A leader of the believers must also conduct himself in such a way that nonbelievers will speak well of him. Then people will not say bad things about him, and the devil will not capture him like an animal in a trap.

What must an overseer's reputation be with those outside the church?

An overseer must have a good reputation with those outside the church.

1 Timothy 3:8**ULT**

⁸ Likewise deacons {must be} dignified, not double-talkers, not indulging in much wine, not greedy,

UST

⁸ In the same way, those who {are appointed to} assist the leaders should be people who are serious and mature. They should be sincere when they speak. They should not drink too much wine, and they must not have a strong desire for money.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 3:9**ULT**

⁹ holding the mystery of the faith with a clean conscience.

UST

⁹ They must always believe the message that God has now revealed to us about believing in him, while knowing within themselves that God approves of what they are doing.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 3:10**ULT**

¹⁰ And let them also be tested first; then let them serve, being blameless.

UST

¹⁰ But {just as you do for the leaders,} you must first examine the way these assistants behave. Then, if you do not find any fault with them, you may let them serve {as assistants}.

What should be done with deacons before they serve?

Before they serve, deacons should be tested.

1 Timothy 3:11**ULT**

¹¹ Likewise the women {must be} dignified, not slanderers, sober, trustworthy in everything.

UST

¹¹ Their wives likewise must be serious and mature, they must not talk badly about people, and they must do everything in moderation. They must be trustworthy in everything that they do.

What are some characteristics of godly women?

Godly women are dignified, not slanderers, sober, and trustworthy in everything.

1 Timothy 3:12**ULT**

¹² Deacons are to be husbands of one wife, managing their own children and households well.

UST

¹² An assistant must be faithful to his wife, and he must lead and care well for his children and the rest of the people in his house.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 3:13**ULT**

¹³ For those having served well acquire for themselves a good standing and much confidence in the faith that {is} in Christ Jesus.

UST

¹³ Assistants who serve well will increasingly benefit {from serving in this way} because people will respect them, and they will learn to speak very boldly about what they believe concerning the Messiah Jesus.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 3:14**ULT**

¹⁴ I am writing these things to you, hoping to come to you in quickness,

UST

¹⁴ I hope that I will be able to come to you soon. But I am writing these things to you now

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 3:15**ULT**

¹⁵ but if I delay, so that you may know how one ought to behave in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, a pillar and support of the truth.

UST

¹⁵ in case I am not able to come soon. I want you to know how believers should behave in the family of God, which is the group of all those who believe in Jesus and belong to the living God. The people in this group believe and teach the true message.

What is the household of God?

The household of God is the church of the living God.

1 Timothy 3:16**ULT**

¹⁶ Indeed, admittedly great is the mystery of godliness: “Who was revealed in flesh, was justified in the Spirit, was seen by angels, was proclaimed among the nations, was believed in the world, was taken up in glory.”

UST

¹⁶ And everyone must agree that this true message that God has revealed to us is marvelous: “The Messiah was God who came to the world in a human body. The Holy Spirit proved that he was genuine. God’s messengers saw him. Believers announced who he was to the nations. People in many parts of the world believed in him. God powerfully took him up {to himself in heaven}.”

After Jesus appeared in the flesh, was justified by the Spirit, and was seen by angels, what did he do?

Jesus was proclaimed among nations, believed in the world, and taken up in glory.

1 Timothy 4

1 Timothy 4:1

ULT

¹ Now the Spirit says specifically that in later times some will leave the faith, attending to deceiving spirits and teachings of demons,

UST

¹ Now God's Spirit tells us clearly that in these later times some people will stop believing the true message about Jesus. Instead, they will listen to evil spirits who deceive people, and to the false things that these evil spirits teach.

According to the Spirit, what will some people do in the later times?

Some people will leave the faith and attend to deceiving spirits and the teachings of demons.

1 Timothy 4:2

ULT

² through the hypocrisy of liars, their own consciences having been seared,

UST

² The evil spirits teach these things through people who lie and only pretend to do what is right. These people do not even feel guilty when they teach false things.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 4:3

ULT

³ forbidding to marry, to abstain from foods that God created for receiving with thanksgiving by the faithful and the ones knowing the truth.

UST

³ They prevent people from marrying. They tell them that they must not eat certain kinds of food. But God created that food as something for us to receive from him and to thank him for. He created it for us who believe in him and who know what is true.

What lies will these people teach?

They will forbid marriage and forbid eating some foods.

1 Timothy 4:4**ULT**

⁴ For every creation of God {is} good, and nothing being received with thanksgiving {is} vile,

UST

⁴ Everything that God has made is good. Any kind of food is acceptable to eat if we thank God for it when we eat it.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 4:5**ULT**

⁵ for it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer.

UST

⁵ When we pray to God and believe what he said, {that everything he created was good,} then the food that we eat is acceptable to him.

How is anything we eat sanctified for our use?

Anything we eat is sanctified by the word of God and prayer.

1 Timothy 4:6**ULT**

⁶ Placing these things before the brothers, you will be a good servant of Christ Jesus, being nourished by the words of the faith and of the good teaching that you have followed.

UST

⁶ If you keep teaching these things to your fellow believers, you will be serving Jesus the Messiah well. You will become strong spiritually as you obey the true message that we all believe. That true message is the good teaching that you have been following.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 4:7**ULT**

⁷ But reject the profane and old-womanish myths. Instead, train yourself for godliness,

UST

⁷ But have nothing to do with the worthless, foolish stories. Instead, train yourself to do the things that please God.

In what does Paul tell Timothy to train himself?

Paul tells Timothy to train himself in godliness.

1 Timothy 4:8**ULT**

⁸ for “bodily training is valuable for a little, but godliness is valuable for all things, having promise for this present life and the coming one.”

UST

⁸ Remember that “training your body helps you a little bit, but learning to do the things that please God helps you in every way. {It is good for you} both as you live now on earth and as you live in the future with God.”

Why is training in godliness more profitable than bodily training?

Training in godliness is more profitable because it holds promise for this present life and the coming one.

1 Timothy 4:9**ULT**

⁹ That word {is} trustworthy and worthy of all acceptance,

UST

⁹ Everyone should trust this statement and accept it completely.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 4:10**ULT**

¹⁰ for unto this we toil and struggle, because we have hoped in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of believers.

UST

¹⁰ For this reason we work as hard as we can, because we confidently expect that the living God will do the things that he has promised. He is the Savior of all humanity, but particularly the Savior of those who believe.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 4:11**ULT**

¹¹ Command and teach these things.

UST

¹¹ Teach the believers about these things and insist that they do them.

What does Paul exhort Timothy to do with all of the good things that he has received in Paul's teaching to him?

Paul exhorts Timothy to command and teach these things.

1 Timothy 4:12**ULT**

¹² Let no one despise your youth, but be an example for the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity.

UST

¹² Do not allow anyone to say that you do not matter because you are young. Instead, show other believers how to live. Show them this by how you speak, how you behave, how you love others, how you trust God, and how you keep yourself sexually pure.

In what ways is Timothy to be an example to others?

Timothy is to be an example in word, conduct, love, faith, and purity.

1 Timothy 4:13**ULT**

¹³ Until I come, attend to the reading, to the exhortation, to the teaching.

UST

¹³ Until I come back to you, be sure to continue reading {the Scriptures to the believers when you meet together}, teaching {the Scriptures to the believers}, and urging {them to obey the Scriptures}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 4:14**ULT**

¹⁴ Do not neglect the gift in you, which was given to you through prophecy, with the imposition of the hands of the elders.

UST

¹⁴ Be sure to use the gift that you have, which God gave to you when the leaders of the church laid their hands on you and told you what God had revealed to them about you.

How did Timothy receive the spiritual gift that he had?

The gift was given to Timothy through prophecy with the imposition of the hands of the elders.

1 Timothy 4:15**ULT**

¹⁵ Study these things, be in them, so that your progress may be apparent to all.

UST

¹⁵ Put into practice all these things {that I have told you to do}! Concentrate on them so that everyone will see how much you are improving {as a follower of Jesus}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 4:16

ULT

¹⁶ Pay attention to yourself and to the teaching. Continue in these things, for, doing this, you will save both yourself and your listeners.

UST

¹⁶ Be very careful about the way that you behave and about the things that you teach. Keep doing these things, because God is using them to save not only you, but also the people who listen to you.

If Timothy continues faithfully in his life and teaching, who will be saved?

Timothy will save both himself and his listeners.

1 Timothy 5

1 Timothy 5:1

ULT

¹ Do not rebuke an older man, but exhort him as a father, younger men as brothers,

UST

¹ Do not speak harshly to a man who is older than you are. Instead, advise him as if he were your father. Advise younger men as if they were your brothers.

How did Paul tell Timothy to treat an older man in the church?

Paul told Timothy to exhort him as if he were a father.

1 Timothy 5:2

ULT

² older women as mothers, younger women as sisters, in all purity.

UST

² Advise a woman who is older than you as if she were your mother. Advise younger women as if they were your sisters{. As you do all of this, you must act} in a completely proper way.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 5:3

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³ Honor widows—real widows.

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³ Make sure that {the congregation} takes care of widows who truly have no one else to care for them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 5:4**ULT**

⁴ But if any widow has children or grandchildren, first let them learn to honor their own household and to make repayment to {their} forebears, for this is pleasing before God.

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⁴ But if a widow has children or grandchildren, these children or grandchildren should first learn that they must take care of their own family. {In this way} they can repay their parents {and grandparents} {for the things that they did for them when they were young,} because doing that pleases God.

What should children and grandchildren of a widow do for her?

Children and grandchildren should repay their parents and take care of her.

1 Timothy 5:5**ULT**

⁵ But the genuine and left-alone widow hopes in God and continues in requests and prayers night and day.

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⁵ A widow who is truly alone and has no one to help her confidently expects that God will help her. So she prays persistently, and she earnestly asks God to help her.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 5:6**ULT**

⁶ But the one cavorting, living, has died.

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⁶ But a widow who lives only to please herself is spiritually dead even though she is still physically alive.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 5:7**ULT**

⁷ Also command these things, so that they may be irreproachable.

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⁷ Teach these things as well, so that no one will say that the believers are behaving badly.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 5:8**ULT**

⁸ But if someone does not provide for his own, and especially for household members, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

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⁸ But if anyone does not take care of his own relatives, and especially those who live in his own house, he has rejected what we believe. He is worse than a person who does not believe in the Messiah.

What has someone done who does not take care of those in his own household?

He has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

1 Timothy 5:9**ULT**

⁹ Let a widow be enrolled being not less than 60 years old, a wife of one husband,

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⁹ Add a widow to the list {of true widows} only if she is at least 60 years old. She also must have been faithful to her husband.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 5:10**ULT**

¹⁰ attested in good works: if she has raised children, if she has received strangers, if she has washed the feet of the saints, if she has relieved the afflicted, if she has pursued every good work.

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¹⁰ People must report that she did good works. They must report that she brought up her children well, that she welcomed strangers, that she humbly served the believers, that she helped people who were suffering, and that she was eager to do all kinds of good works.

For what should a widow be known?

A widow should be attested for good works.

1 Timothy 5:11**ULT**

¹¹ But refuse younger widows, because when they become wanton against Christ, they want to marry,

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¹¹ But do not add younger widows {to the list of true widows}. When they feel strong desires, they will change their minds about being devoted only to the Messiah and they will want to get married again.

Why should the church not enroll young widows onto the list of people for the church to care for?

These younger widows will later want to marry.

1 Timothy 5:12**ULT**

¹² having judgment because they have broken their first pledge.

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¹² {When they do this,} they will become guilty of violating the vow that they made at first {to remain as widows}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 5:13**ULT**

¹³ But at the same time, they also learn to be lazy, wandering about the houses, and not only lazy, but also babblers and busybodies, saying what they should not.

UST

¹³ In addition to that, they also become accustomed to doing nothing. They go from one house to another house, not only doing nothing {good}, but also talking about people and meddling in other people's affairs. They say things that they should not say.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 5:14**ULT**

¹⁴ Therefore, I want younger ones to marry, bear children, manage a household, give no opportunity for slander to the one opposing.

UST

¹⁴ So, {instead of the church adding young widows to the list of true widows,} I prefer for younger widows to remarry and have children. These women should manage their homes well. In that way they will not give the enemy, {Satan,} an opportunity to accuse them of doing wrong.

What does Paul want younger women to do?

Paul wants younger women to marry, to bear children, and to manage a household.

1 Timothy 5:15**ULT**

¹⁵ For already some have turned aside after Satan.

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¹⁵ {I write these things} because already some {younger widows} are {no longer obeying the Messiah but instead are} obeying Satan.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 5:16**ULT**

¹⁶ If any believing woman has widows, let her help them, and let the church not be weighed down, so that it may help the genuine widows.

UST

¹⁶ If any believing woman has widows {among her relatives,} she should help them. In that way, the group of believers will not have to take care of more widows than it is able. The group of believers will then be able to help the true widows {who have no family members to care for them}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 5:17**ULT**

¹⁷ The elders having ruled well, let them be considered worthy of double honor, especially the ones toiling in the word and teaching.

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¹⁷ The believers should both honor and pay the elders who lead them well, especially the elders who work hard at preaching and teaching {what the Scriptures say}.

What should be done for elders who lead well?

Elders who lead well should be considered worthy of double honor.

1 Timothy 5:18**ULT**

¹⁸ For the Scripture says, "You will not muzzle a threshing ox," and, "The worker {is} worthy of his wages."

UST

¹⁸ {We know that this is right} because we read the following in the Scriptures {that Moses wrote}: "While an ox is threshing grain, you must not tie its mouth so that it cannot eat any grain." And {we also know this is right because Jesus said,} "People should pay those who work for them."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 5:19**ULT**

¹⁹ Against an elder do not receive an accusation, except if on two or three witnesses.

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¹⁹ Only listen to someone who accuses an elder of doing wrong if {at least} two or three people testify about the matter.

What conditions must be met before someone accuses an elder?

There must be two or three witnesses when someone accuses an elder.

1 Timothy 5:20**ULT**

²⁰ The ones sinning, rebuke before all, so that the rest also may have fear.

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²⁰ {When you meet to worship,} correct those who sin in front of everyone, so that the rest {of the people} will be afraid {to sin}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 5:21**ULT**

²¹ I adjure you, before God and Christ Jesus and the chosen angels, that you keep these things without partiality, doing nothing out of favoritism.

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²¹ With God and the Messiah Jesus and God's chosen heavenly servants watching me and listening to me, I solemnly call upon you to obey the instructions that I have just given to you. Judge every matter fairly and do not favor one person over another.

Paul commands Timothy to be careful to keep these rules in what way?

Paul commands Timothy to be careful to keep these rules without favoritism.

1 Timothy 5:22**ULT**

²² Place hands hastily on no one, nor share in the sins of others. Keep yourself pure.

UST

²² Do not be in a hurry to appoint someone {as a leader in the group of believers}. If he sins, it will be as though you have sinned, too, so do not do that. You must avoid sinning.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 5:23**ULT**

²³ No longer drink only water, but use a little wine because of your stomach and frequent illnesses.

UST

²³ Stop drinking only water, {Timothy.} Instead, also drink a little wine to help with your frequent stomach sicknesses.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 5:24**ULT**

²⁴ The sins of some men are evident, going ahead into judgment, but also they follow after some.

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²⁴ When some people sin, everyone knows about it and {knows that God} will judge them {for it}. But when other people sin, no one knows about it until a much later time.

When do the sins of people become known?

The sins of some people are evident, but the sins of others are not known until the judgment.

1 Timothy 5:25**ULT**

²⁵ Likewise, good works {are} also evident, and the ones having otherwise are not able to be hidden.

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²⁵ In the same way, everyone knows about {many of} the good things that people do. But even when people do good things secretly, everyone will find out about them later.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 6

1 Timothy 6:1

ULT

¹ As many slaves as are under the yoke, let them regard their own masters worthy of all honor, so that the name of God and the teaching may not be blasphemed.

UST

¹ All {believers} who are slaves should honor their masters in every way. Then people will not {have a reason to} speak evil about God or about the things that we teach.

How did Paul say slaves should regard their masters?

Paul said that slaves should regard their masters as worthy of all honor.

1 Timothy 6:2

ULT

² But the ones having believing masters, let them not despise them because they are brothers, but let them serve them more, because they are believers and beloved, the ones partaking of the service. Teach and encourage these things.

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² Also, slaves who have masters who believe in the Messiah should not disrespect those masters because they are fellow believers. Instead, they should serve their masters even better because those who benefit from their good work are fellow believers in the Messiah, and God loves them. Teach these things and urge {our people to do them}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 6:3

ULT

³ If anyone is teaching differently and does not accede to the healthy words, those of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the teaching according to godliness,

UST

³ Some people teach things that are not true. They do not accept the reliable message about our Lord Jesus the Messiah. And they do not accept the teaching about how to live in a manner that pleases God.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 6:4**ULT**

⁴ he is puffed up, understanding nothing, but being sick about controversies and word-battles, from which come envy, strife, blasphemies, evil suspicions,

UST

⁴ These people are proud, but they do not understand anything. Instead, they abnormally desire to argue about unimportant matters and about certain words. Their behavior causes them to envy other people. They quarrel with others, they say bad things about others, and they suspect that others have evil motives.

What kind of person rejects healthy words and godly teaching?

The person who rejects healthy words and godly teaching is puffed up and understands nothing.

1 Timothy 6:5**ULT**

⁵ friction, between men having been corrupted {as to} the mind and having been deprived of the truth, considering godliness to be a means of gain. ^[1]

UST

⁵ They constantly quarrel with other people. Their whole way of thinking has become completely wrong. They have rejected the true teaching. As a result, they think that the purpose of living in a godly way is to gain material things.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 6:6**ULT**

⁶ But godliness with contentment is great gain.

UST

⁶ But we do gain great benefit when we live in a godly way and when we are content with what we have.

What does Paul say is great gain?

Paul says that godliness with contentment is great gain.

1 Timothy 6:7**ULT**

⁷ For we brought nothing into the world, so that neither are we able to take anything out.

UST

⁷ This is true because we brought nothing into the world {when we were born}, and we are not able to take anything out of it {when we die}.

What did we bring into this world, and what can we take with us when we leave?

We have brought nothing into the world, and cannot take anything out.

1 Timothy 6:8**ULT**

⁸ But having food and clothing, with these we will be satisfied.

UST

⁸ So if we have food and clothing, we should be satisfied with those things.

With what should we be content in this world?

We should be satisfied that we have food and clothing.

1 Timothy 6:9**ULT**

⁹ Now the ones wanting to be rich fall into temptation and a trap and many foolish and harmful desires, whatever plunges men into ruin and destruction.

UST

⁹ But some people strongly desire to be rich. As a result, they do wrong things to get money. Then bad things happen to them, and they cannot escape from them. They foolishly desire many things that will hurt them and, in the end, these things destroy them.

Into what do those who desire to become wealthy fall?

Those who desire to become wealthy fall into temptation and a trap.

1 Timothy 6:10**ULT**

¹⁰ For a root of all evils is the love of money, which, some desiring, have been led away from the faith and have pierced themselves with many sorrows.

UST

¹⁰ You see, people do all sorts of evil things when they strongly desire to have a lot of money. Some people started desiring money and so they stopped desiring to follow Jesus. By doing this, they have made themselves sorrowful in many ways.

What is a root of all kinds of evil?

The love of money is a root of all kinds of evil.

What has happened to some who have loved money?

Some who have loved money have been led away from the faith.

1 Timothy 6:11**ULT**

¹¹ But you, O man of God, flee these things, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness.

UST

¹¹ But you, as a man who serves God, must avoid these {evil} things. Instead, decide that you will do what is right, and that you will live to please God. Trust God, and love {others}. Endure {the difficult things that happen to you}. Always be gentle {with people}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 6:12**ULT**

¹² Fight the good fight of the faith, grasp eternal life, to which you were called and confessed the good confession before many witnesses.

UST

¹² Try earnestly to live according to what you believe, knowing that this is a good thing to do. Make sure that you have the gift of eternal life that God chose for you to have when you openly said before many witnesses that you belonged to the Messiah.

What fight does Paul say Timothy must fight?

Paul says Timothy must fight the good fight of the faith.

1 Timothy 6:13**ULT**

¹³ I command you before God, the one enlivening all, and Christ Jesus, the one having testified the good confession before Pontius Pilate,

UST

¹³ {We are in the presence of} God who gives life to all things. {We are in the presence of} the Messiah Jesus who boldly declared what was true when he was on trial before Pontius Pilate. In their presence, I give you this command:

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 6:14**ULT**

¹⁴ {that} you keep the commandment spotless, irreproachable, until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ,

UST

¹⁴ Obey what the Messiah has commanded us. Do not do anything wrong. That way no one will be able to criticize you. Continue to obey until our Lord Jesus the Messiah comes again.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 6:15**ULT**

¹⁵ whom in its own times the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, will reveal,

UST

¹⁵ God will cause Jesus to come back at the perfect time. We praise God. He is the only Ruler! He is the King over all other kings and the Lord over all other rulers!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 6:16**ULT**

¹⁶ the One having immortality alone, occupying unapproachable light, whom none of men has seen, nor is able to see, to whom {be} honor and eternal power. Amen.

UST

¹⁶ God is the only one who will never die. He lives {in heaven} in light that is so bright that no one can approach it! He is the one whom no person has ever seen and whom no person is able to see! My desire is that all people will honor him and that he will rule powerfully forever! May it be so!

Where does God dwell?

God dwells in unapproachable light.

1 Timothy 6:17**ULT**

¹⁷ Command the rich in the present age not to be proud, nor to hope in the uncertainty of riches, but in God, the one providing us all things richly unto enjoyment,

UST

¹⁷ Tell the believers who are rich here in this present world that they should not be proud. They should not trust in their many possessions because they cannot be certain how long they will have them. Instead, tell them to trust in God. He is the one who abundantly gives us everything that we have, and he wants us to enjoy it.

Why should the rich hope in God and not in uncertain riches?

The rich should hope in God because he provides us with everything that we enjoy.

1 Timothy 6:18**ULT**

¹⁸ to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous, willing to share,

UST

¹⁸ Tell these rich believers to do good things. Tell them they should want to do a lot of good works {instead of acquiring a lot of money}. They must be generous {with their possessions} and be willing to share {what they have with others}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

1 Timothy 6:19**ULT**

¹⁹ storing up for themselves a good foundation for what is coming, so that they may grasp genuine life.

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¹⁹ {If they do that,} it will be as though they were storing up for themselves many good things for their future life {in heaven}. {Having done all of those good deeds} will prepare them well for the life that God wants to give them. That is the real life.

Those who are rich in good works do what for themselves?

Those who are rich in good works store up for themselves a good foundation, and grasp genuine life.

1 Timothy 6:20**ULT**

²⁰ O Timothy, guard the deposit, avoiding the profane chatter and contradictions of miscalled knowledge,

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²⁰ Timothy, protect the true message that God has given to you. Avoid people who want to chatter about things that are not important to God. Avoid also people who falsely claim that they have true knowledge, but who say things that oppose the true things that we teach.

Finally, what does Paul tell Timothy to do with the things given to him?

Paul tells Timothy to guard what has been entrusted to him.

1 Timothy 6:21**ULT**

²¹ which some, professing, have missed the mark regarding the faith. Grace {be} with you.

6:5 ^[1] but the best ancient copies do not.

UST

²¹ Certain people believe these things and have stopped believing the truth about God. May God be kind to you all.

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