

STUDYING THE BOOK OF 1 TIMOTHY ***IN SMALL GROUP DISCUSSIONS***

Lesson 3 - Instructions on Worship - 1 Timothy 2:1-15

Read the following verses in the New International Version or a translation of your choice. Then discuss the questions that follow. Questions should be studied by each individual before your discussion group meets.

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1TI 2:1 I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone-- [2] for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. [3] This is good, and pleases God our Savior, [4] who wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. [5] For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, [6] who gave himself as a ransom for all men--the testimony given in its proper time. [7] And for this purpose I was appointed a herald and an apostle--I am telling the truth, I am not lying--and a teacher of the true faith to the Gentiles.

1TI 2:8 I want men everywhere to lift up holy hands in prayer, without anger or disputing.

1TI 2:9 I also want women to dress modestly, with decency and propriety, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or expensive clothes, [10] but with good deeds, appropriate for women who profess to worship God.

1TI 2:11 A woman should learn in quietness and full submission. [12] I do not permit a woman to teach or to have authority over a man; she must be silent. [13] For Adam was formed first, then Eve. [14] And Adam was not the one deceived; it was the woman who was deceived and became a sinner. [15] But women will be saved through childbearing--if they continue in faith, love and holiness with propriety.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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23. What did Paul urge first of all? (2:1-2)
24. What did Paul hope would be the result of the church's prayers? (2:2)
25. What pleases God? (2:2-3)
26. What does God want? (2:4)
27. For whom is Jesus Christ a mediator? (2:5)
28. For whom did Jesus give Himself? Why? (2:6)

29. Why did Paul insist he was not lying? (2:7)
30. What did Paul want people everywhere to do? (2:8)
31. How should women dress? (2:9-10)
32. What instructions did Paul give women? (2:9-12)
33. How did Paul instruct women to learn? (2:11)
34. What didn't Paul permit women to do? (2:11)
35. What explanation did Paul give for not allowing women to teach or have authority over men? (2:12-14)
36. In what way did Paul say that women would be saved? (2:15)
37. How does your church understand and apply Paul's restrictions on women?
38. In what way might a woman be saved through childbearing?