

"A LOOK AT THE GODLY WOMAN"

1 TIMOTHY 5:1-16

INTRO: We are living in a time when it seems that many people are confused over so many things in society, including the proper gender of a person, the difference between a man and a woman and even if a man can give birth to a child. Obviously, this is because of the fact that SOCIETY WITHOUT A BIBLICAL WORLD VIEW, not only has no concept of the proper understanding of gender as God has designed it, but REJECTS gender as God has designed it. As a part of rejecting God's design for gender, there are those who confuse and mix up the actions, attitudes and activities that define a male and a female. Even within the realm of Christianity, you may find those who would not be able to DEFINE A GODLY MAN AND A GODLY WOMAN. So on this MOTHER'S DAY, let's allow the WORD OF GOD TO SPEAK OF ITSELF and give us insight on THE GODLY WOMAN from GOD'S PERSPECTIVE.

OBSERVATION: In our text Paul is teaching how we should HONOR elderly men, women, and widows. In doing so, he gives at least 13 CLEAR DESCRIPTIONS OF THE GODLY WOMAN.

NOTE: 1 Timothy is the PROVERBS 31 of the New Testament, thus describing the BIBLICAL VIRTUOUS WOMAN.

THE QUALITIES OF THE GODLY WOMAN

I. THE GODLY WOMAN TRUSTS IN GOD – VS. 5a

"SHE TRUSTETH IN GOD"

- A. She Trusts in God for Salvation
- B. She Trusts in God for Sustenance

II. THE GODLY WOMAN IS A PRAYER WARRIOR – VS. 5b

"SHE CONTINUETH IN PRAYER...DAY AND NIGHT"

- A. She Continues in General Prayer as her Lifestyle
- B. She Continues in Supplicating Prayer as her Pattern

III. THE GODLY WOMAN IS UNIMPEACHABLE – VS. 7

"SHE IS BLAMELESS"

- A. She is not able to be held as a Criminal
- B. She has no Valid Accusation of Wrongdoing
- C. She has no Overt Fragrant Sin

IV. THE GODLY WOMAN HAS A GOOD REPORT – VS. 10a

"SHE IS WELL REPORTED OF"

- A. She has a Testimony of a Good Report
- B. She has a Ministry of Good Report

V. THE GODLY WOMAN MENTORS HER CHILDREN – VS. 10b

"SHE BROUGHT UP CHILDREN"

NOTE: The word "BROUGHT" implies that the mother "DOES THE DUTIES" of the female.

- A. She gives Birth to Children
- B. She gives Instruction to Children (Cp. Titus 2:3-5)

VI. THE GODLY WOMAN IS HOSPITABLE – VS. 10c

"SHE LODGED STRANGERS"

- A. She SPECIFICALLY provides Hospitality to Strangers (Traveling Preachers)
- B. She GENERALLY provides Hospitality to Any One in Need

VII. THE GODLY WOMAN IS A SERVANT – VS. 10d

"SHE WASHES THE SAINTS FEET"

- A. She Humbles Herself to give the Most Needed Care
- B. She Humbles Herself to do the Least Desirable Ministry

VIII. THE GODLY WOMAN AIDS THOSE WHO ARE TROUBLED – VS. 10e

“SHE RELIEVES THE AFFLICTED”

- A. She helps the Physically Afflicted
- B. She helps the Spiritually Afflicted

IX. THE GODLY WOMAN MAINTAINS GOOD WORKS – VS. 10f

“SHE DILIGENTLY FOLLOWS EVERY GOOD WORK”

NOTE: The word “DILIGENTLY” means to ASCERTAIN PERFECTLY

NOTE: The word “FOLLOWS” means to ACCOMPANY

- A. She Seeks Out and Makes Certain of Good Ministry
- B. She Accompanies Good Ministry

NOTE: She looks for and gets involved in quality ministry for the Lord.

X. THE GODLY WOMAN GETS MARRIED – VS. 14a

“THE YOUNGER WOMEN MARRY”

NOTE: Unless called to SINGLENESS by God for Ministry

- A. She Marries because it is God’s Plan for Women
- B. She Marries to meet the Need of the Man (Help Meet – Genesis 2:18)

XI. THE GODLY WOMAN BEARS CHILDREN – VS. 14b

“BEAR CHILDREN”

- A. She Bears Children as the Woman’s Number Two Responsibility in Creation
- B. She Bears Children as the Desire of the Godly Woman

XII. THE GODLY WOMAN MANAGES THE HOME – VS. 14c

“GUIDES THE HOUSE”

NOTE: The Greek term for “GUIDE” means “ADMINISTRATION.”

- A. She Administers all aspects of the Household
- B. She Rejoices in the Home as it is where she is Fulfilled

XIII. THE GODLY WOMAN IS RIGHTEOUS IN THE HOME – VS. 14d

“GIVES NONE OCCASION TO THE ADVERSARY TO SPEAK REPROACHFULLY”

- A. She Has a Good Testimony to those who Visit the Home
- B. She Sees that the Home Reflects Godliness

LESSON/APPLICATION

- 1) The Woman who desires honor by God and others will maintain these values
- 2) The Woman who maintains these values will be honored by God and should be honored by others as well