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SCRIPTURE PASSAGE: 1 Timothy 6:17-21

¹⁷ As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. ¹⁸ They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, ¹⁹ thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

²⁰ O Timothy, guard the deposit entrusted to you. Avoid the irreverent babble and contradictions of what is falsely called "knowledge," ²¹ for by professing it some have swerved from the faith. Grace be with you. ¹

D-GROUP AGENDA

Welcome & Catch Up

Begin your D-Group time by taking a few minutes to catch up since your last meeting. Share updates regarding prayer requests shared previously and celebrate what God has done and is doing in the lives of your group members.

Read It

Read the scripture passage, highlighting portions that stand out and things you wish to discuss.

Study It

Among your group, discuss those things that stand out in the passage. For things that may be confusing or create more questions, work together to discover God's truth. For some questions, we recommend going to <u>gotquestions.org</u>. This resource offers solid, succinct, biblical answers to many questions.

Some good commentaries on 1 Timothy are:

Hughes, R. Kent and Bryan Chapell. *1-2 Timothy and Titus: To Guard the Deposit*. Preaching the Word Commentary. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2012.

Köstenberger, Andreas J. 1-2 Timothy and Titus. Evangelical Biblical Theology Commentary. Bellingham, WA: Lexham, 2020.

Platt, David and Daniel L. Akin. *Christ-Centered Exposition: Exalting Jesus in 1& 2 Timothy and Titus*. Nashville: Holman, 2013.

¹ The Holy Bible: English Standard Version. (2016). (1 Ti 6:17–21). Wheaton, IL: Crossway Bibles.

Review It

This seems to be a postscript to the letter. Why do you think Paul added this section after giving the doxology prior? Why would the Holy Spirit lead him to end with these thoughts?

There is much said about wealth and riches in scripture. There are challenges that come from having much. How can a Christian handle the accumulation of money and items in a godly way? Why do you believe it is so difficult for many Christians to handle their finances well?

Timothy is instructed to guard the deposit entrusted with him. What is that deposit? How can one guard such?

The final words are for Timothy to avoid certain things. This must have been a big issue in the day. How does this teaching impact us today.

"Grace be with you" – what does that mean for you?

Five Questions

- 1. What did you like about this week's scripture passage and sermon?
- 2. What did you not like or find confusing about this week's scripture passage and sermon?
- 3. What does this week's scripture passage and sermon say about God?
- 4. What does this week's scripture passage and sermon say about humanity?
- 5. Who outside your group needs to hear the truths from this week's sermon?

Prayer

Pray for each other. Pray for our church and for others gathering in D-groups. Pray for specific needs shared among your members.