



November 6, 2022

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE: 1 Timothy 2:1-10

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. ³This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. ⁷For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

⁸I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling; ⁹likewise also that women should adorn themselves in respectable apparel, with modesty and self-control, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly attire, ¹⁰but with what is proper for women who profess godliness—with good works.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 gotquestions.org. 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.

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](http://www.bible.com/bible/1-ti/2:1-10). (2016). (1 Ti 2:1–10). Wheaton, IL: Crossway Bibles.

Review It

It has been said that prayer is often our last resort when it should be our first response, or better-yet, our pre-emptive strike. Why do you think prayer is so difficult for so many Christians?

When it comes to corporate prayer, have you ever experienced a truly meaningful corporate prayer time? What made it special or meaningful? What was different than normal gatherings? Was it more how it was led or how you prepared?

A man in our church once said “I can’t pray for the President” based on his great dislike for the man serving in the role at the time. Yet, he claimed to be a prayer warrior and sought to lead different prayer ministries. What do you think about his statement and his stated calling to be a prayer leader?

How does prayer fuel our proclamation?

How does prayer and proclamation lead to praise?

What happens when prayer is weak, repetitive, or ignored?

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.²
