

# 1 TIMOTHY

## TRUSTWORTHY TRUTH

### A Good Servant of Christ Jesus

<sup>6</sup>If you put these things before the brethren, you will be a good servant of Christ Jesus, being trained in the words of the faith and of the good doctrine that you have followed. <sup>7</sup>Have nothing to do with irreverent, silly myths. Rather, train yourself for godliness; <sup>8</sup>for while bodily training is of some value, godliness is of value in every way, as it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come. <sup>9</sup>The

an unbeliever.

<sup>10</sup>Let a widow be enrolled if she is more than sixty years of age, having been the wife of one husband, <sup>11</sup>and having a reputation for good works: if she has brought up children, has shown hospitality, has washed the feet of the saints, has cared for the afflicted, and has devoted herself to every good work. <sup>12</sup>But refuse to enroll younger widows, for when their passions draw them away from Christ, they desire to marry <sup>13</sup>and so incur condemnation for having abandoned their former faith. <sup>14</sup>Besides

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### Qualifications for Deacons

Deacons likewise must be dignified, not slandered, <sup>3</sup>not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain.

Those who have the faith with a good conscience, let them also be tested as deacons if they wish to be. <sup>11</sup>Their wives must be as the church, the body of Christ, not slanderers, but diligent in good things. <sup>12</sup>Let deacons, as the head of the wife, manage the church as his body, which he saves with his word, to cleanse it by the word of water with the word, to present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or anything of the kind, but that it should be holy and without blemish.

Deacons must be tested first, and if found good, let them be appointed. <sup>17</sup>Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching. <sup>18</sup>As Scripture says, "You shall not muzzle an ox when it treads out the grain," and, "The laborer deserves his wages." <sup>19</sup>Do not admit a charge against an elder except on the evidence of two or three witnesses.

### Godliness

I will come to you soon, but I am writing to you so that, <sup>15</sup>if I delay, you

yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching. <sup>14</sup>Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophecy when the council of elders laid their hands on you. <sup>15</sup>Practice these things, immerse yourself in them, <sup>16</sup>so that all may see your progress. <sup>17</sup>Keep a close watch on yourself and on the teaching, avoiding worldly and vain chatter, that you will save both

truly widows.

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rather they must serve all the better since those who benefit by their good service are believers and beloved. Teach and urge these things.

# Honor Employers

Our work and our attitude help to make God and His gospel believable.

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God works

Man was made to work

Sin wrecks everything

Jesus redeems!

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For the Christian, **EVERYTHING** that we do is under the banner of Soli Deo Gloria: to the glory of God alone.

*“The maid who sweeps her kitchen is doing the will of God just as much as the monk who prays—not because she may sing a Christian hymn as she sweeps but because God loves clean floors.”*



*The Christian shoemaker does his Christian duty not by putting little crosses on the shoes, but by making good shoes, because God is interested in good craftsmanship.”*



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*“The place where the rubber meets the road is on the job. It is out there. It is your attitude in the home, when you are cleaning the house and doing housework. It is your attitude when you’re providing the needs of your family.”*

*It is the attitude when you go to the shop, the plant, the school, the office or whatever. What are you conveying to people? The way you work and the way that you are at work speaks to the reality of your God and the power of His gospel to change lives.”*

*- John MacArthur*

# 1 Timothy 6:2

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