

Problems: Behavior of the Members: Prayer, Modesty, Learning

I Timothy 2:1-15 / March 12, 2022

1. BROAD INSTRUCTIONS: PRAYER FOR THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES 2:1-7

COMMAND: PRAY

First of all, then, **I urge** that

- supplications,
- prayers,
- intercessions, and
- thanksgivings

FOCUS: ALL PEOPLE

- be made for all people,
- for kings and
- all who are in high positions,
that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.

PURPOSE: SALVATION

This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior,
who desires all people to be saved and
to come to the knowledge of the truth.

For there is one God, and
there is one mediator between God and men, **(resurrection/ascension)**
the man Christ Jesus, **(incarnation/miracles)**
who gave himself as a ransom for all, **(crucifixion/suffering)**
which is the testimony given at the proper time. **(revelation/mystery)**

And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit. (Ephesians 2:17-22, ESV)

For 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.

For this reason I, Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles— assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for you, how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly. When you read this, you can perceive my insight into the mystery of Christ, which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit. This mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. (Ephesians 3:1-6, ESV)

2. SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS: PUBLIC WORSHIP

- **How to Pray: Holiness (2:8)**

TRANSCENDANT PRINCIPLE: I desire then that in every place the men should pray,

CULTURAL PRACTICE: lifting holy hands

TRANSCENDANT PRINCIPLE: without anger or quarreling;

- **What You Wear: Modesty (2:9-10)**

TRANSCENDANT PRINCIPLE: likewise also that women should adorn themselves in respectable apparel, with modesty and self-control,

CULTURAL PRACTICE: not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly attire,

TRANSCENDANT PRINCIPLE: but with what is proper for women who profess godliness – with good works.

- **How You Learn: Submissiveness (2:11-15)**

TRANSCENDANT PRINCIPLE: Let a woman learn quietly with all submissiveness.

CULTURAL PRACTICE: I do not permit a woman to teach or to exercise authority over a man; rather,

TRANSCENDANT PRINCIPLE: she is to remain quiet.

ILLUSTRATION:

For Adam was formed first, then Eve;

Adam Was Created First

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, “You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”

Then the LORD God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him.” Now out of the ground the LORD God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. **And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man.** Then the man said, “This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.” Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed. (Genesis 2:15-25, ESV)

and Adam was not deceived, but the woman was deceived and became a transgressor.

Eve Was Deceived

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made.

He said to the woman, “Did God actually say, ‘You shall not eat of any tree in the garden?’”

And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden,

but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.’”

But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die. For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and

she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?”

And he said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.”

He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?”

The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.”

Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?”

The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.” (Genesis 3:1-13, ESV)

Yet she will be saved through childbearing — if they continue in faith and love and holiness, with self-control.

Eve Saved Through Childbirth

The LORD God said to the serpent,

“Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and **between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.**”

To the woman he said,

“I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children.

Your desire shall be contrary to your husband, but he shall rule over you.”

The man called his wife’s name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

Translation Confusion of 1 Timothy 2:10-12

Woman, Women, Wife, Man, Men, Husband

	Text	Translations
v10 Women v11 Woman v12 Woman v12 Man	¹⁰ but with what is proper for women who profess godliness—with good works. ¹¹ Let a woman learn quietly with all submissiveness. ¹² I do not permit a woman to teach or to exercise authority over a man; rather, she is to remain quiet. (ESV)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greek Text • New Century Version • International Standard Version • Easy to Read Version • International Children’s Bible • God’s Word Translation • English Standard Version • New American Standard Version • New English Translation • New International Version • New King James Version • Christian Standard Bible • Holman Christian Standard Bible • Lexham English Bible • New Catholic Bible
v10 Women v11 Women v12 Women v12 Men	10 For women who claim to be devoted to God should make themselves attractive by the good things they do. 11 Women should learn quietly and submissively. 12 I do not let women teach men or have authority over them.[a] Let them listen quietly. (NLT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Living Translation • Contemporary English Version • New Life Version • New Testament for Everyone • The Passion Translation
v10 Women v 11 Woman v 12 Women v12 Man	10 Instead, they should put on good works as if good works were their clothes. This is proper for women who claim to worship God. 11 When a woman is learning, she should be quiet. She should follow her leaders in every way. 12 I do not let women teach or take authority over a man. They must be quiet.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New International Reader’s Version
v10 Woman v 11 Woman v12 Women v 12 Man	10 Instead, as is fitting, let good works decorate your true beauty and show that you are a woman who claims reverence for God. 11 It’s best if a woman learns quietly and orderly in complete submission. 12 Now, Timothy, it’s not my habit to allow women to teach in a way that wrenches authority from a man. As I said, it’s best if a woman learns quietly and orderly.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Voice
v10 Women v11 Woman v12 Woman v12 Man / Husband	10 Instead, they should do good deeds, which is ·right [proper] for women who ·say they worship God [profess reverence for God]. 11 Let a woman learn ·by listening quietly [in silence] and ·being ready to cooperate in everything [L in full/all submission]. 12 But I do not allow a woman to teach or to ·have [assume; exercise] authority over ·a man [or her husband], but to ·listen quietly [be quiet],	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expanded Bible
v10 Women v11 Woman / Wife v12 Woman / Wife v12 Man / Husband	10 but with good works, as is proper for women who profess reverence for God. 11 Let a woman[a] learn in silence with full submission. 12 I permit no woman[b] to teach or to have authority over a man;[c] she is to keep silent.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Revised Standard Version