

Design and Order in the Household of God, Part 1 Handout

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- MAIN TEXT: 1 Timothy 2: 8-15
- 5 items to discuss :
 1. PLEASING THE GOD WHO DESIGNED HIS CHURCH BY CONFORMING TO HIS ORDER
 - a. The household of God [IS] the Church of the Living God (1 Tim 3:15)
 - b. Since God is Living and His Son remains the Head, then He has not abdicated and relinquished His position or His responsibility, so His rule for the Church stands.
 - c. Implications of humans trying to change what God has designed/ordered regarding His Church.
 - d. Numbers 20: 2-13—AN ILLUSTRATION TO CONSIDER→THE ERRONEOUS IDEA THAT OUR BLESSINGS ALWAYS INDICATE THAT GOD IS PLEASED WITH US
 2. CONDUCT IN THE CHURCH EITHER UPHOLDS TRUTH OR UNDERMINES IT
 3. MINI-RECAP OF CHAPTER 1:
 - a. FALSE AND STRANGE DOCTRINES LEAD TO IMPROPER CONDUCT
 - b. FALSE TEACHERS IN EPHESUS MISUNDERSTOOD THE LAW
 - c. PAUL'S CONVERSION AND MINISTRY AN ACT OF GRACE (NOT LAW)
 - d. THE NECESSITY TO FIGHT THE GOOD WARFARE TO UPHOLD AND PROCLAIM TRUTH
 4. MINI-RECAP OF CHAPTER 2: 1-7: EVANGELISTIC PRAYER
 - a. THE **MANDATE** TO PRAY: VERSES 1-2→PRAY FOR ALL PEOPLE
 - b. THE **MOTIVATION** FOR PRAYER: VERSES 3-4→GOD'S PLEASURE AND DESIRE FOR ALL TO BE SAVED
 - c. THE **MEANS** OF SALVATION: VERSES 5-6→THE MEDIATOR WHO PAID THE RANSOM
 - d. THE **MISSION** OF PAUL: VERSE 7→BEYOND JUDAH AND SAMARIA, TO THE GENTILES (In keeping with God's Universal Missions Mindset)
 5. A MINI EXEGESIS OF CHAPTER 2: 8-10: ⁸ **I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling;** ⁹ **likewise 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,** ¹⁰ **but with what is proper for women who profess godliness—with good works.** ¹¹ **Let a woman learn quietly with all submissiveness.**
 - a. VERSE 8: MAIN EMPHASIS IS NOT ON LIFTING HANDS BUT ON HOLINESS
 - b. VERSES 9-10: Three instructions given to Women→ The FOCUS SHOULD NOT BE ON SELF
 - i. WHAT YOU SHOULD WEAR→dress modestly with propriety
 - ii. WHAT YOU MUST AVOID→extravagant hairstyles, exquisite jewelry, expensive clothing
 - iii. WHAT MUST REALLY SHINE→good works for women who profess to be godly.
DO NOT IMITATE YOUR FAVORITE CELEBRITIES .
- Ultimately, we are here to showcase the TRUTH of God and give honor and glory to HIM.