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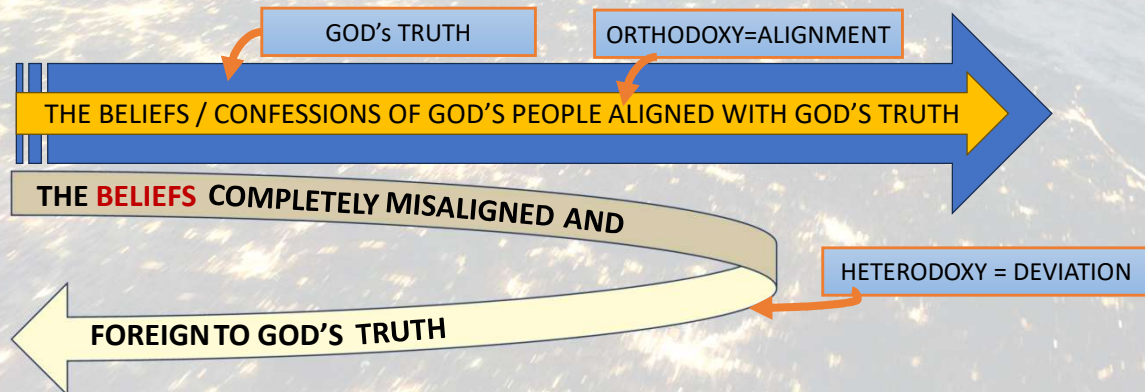
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what does  
**Orthopedic**  
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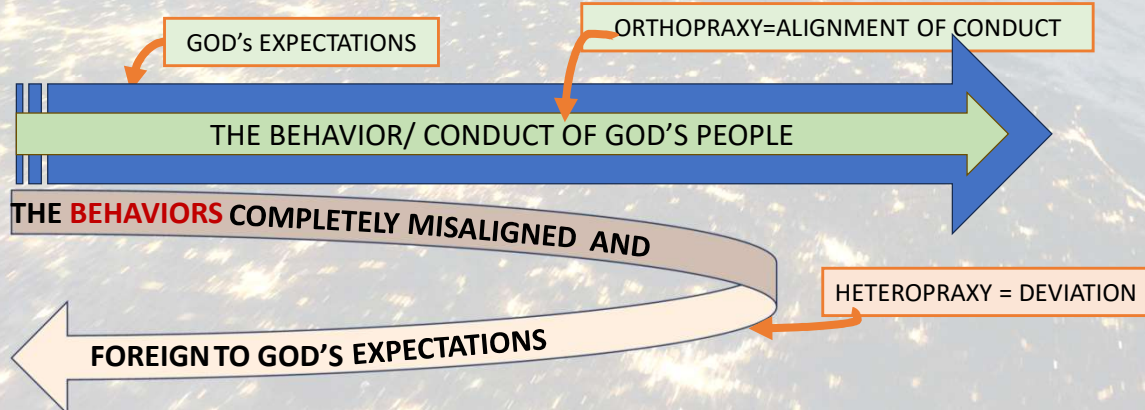
Heterodoxy = A deviation from correct thinking, strange ideas

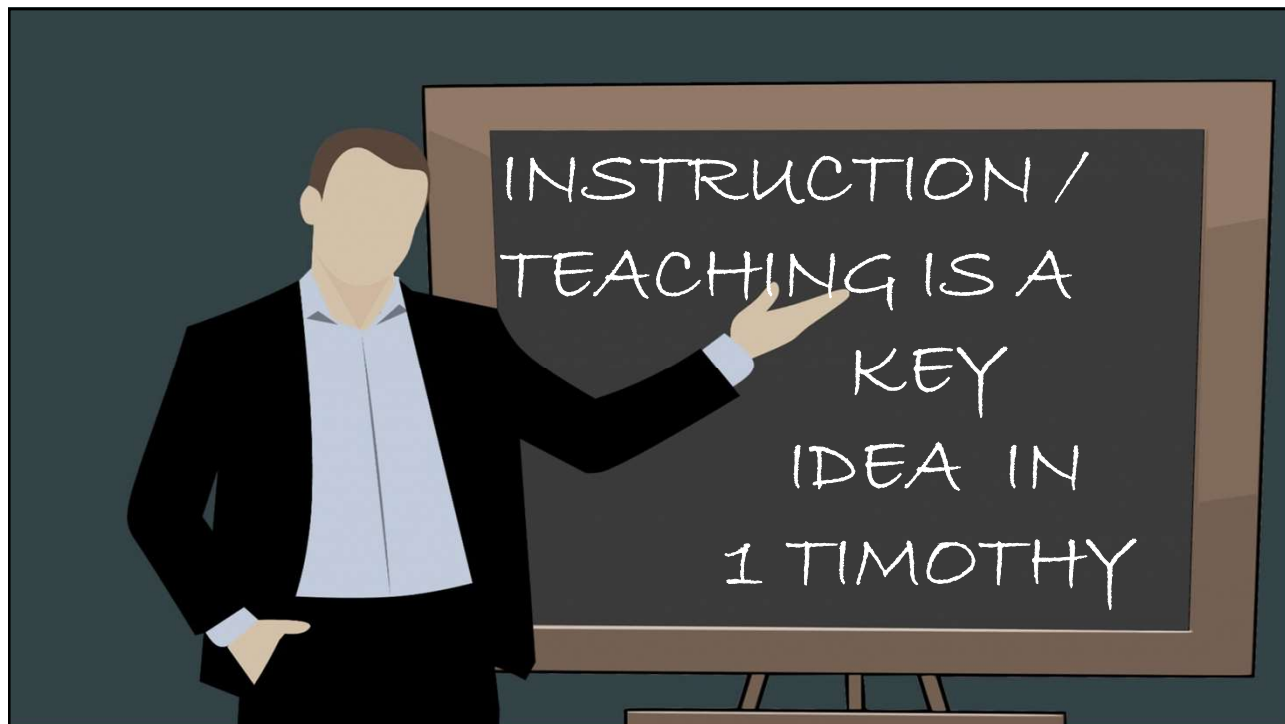


# ORTHOPRAXY & HETEROPRAXY


Orthopraxy = conduct that is straight or correct

Heteropraxy = A deviation from correct conduct or practices








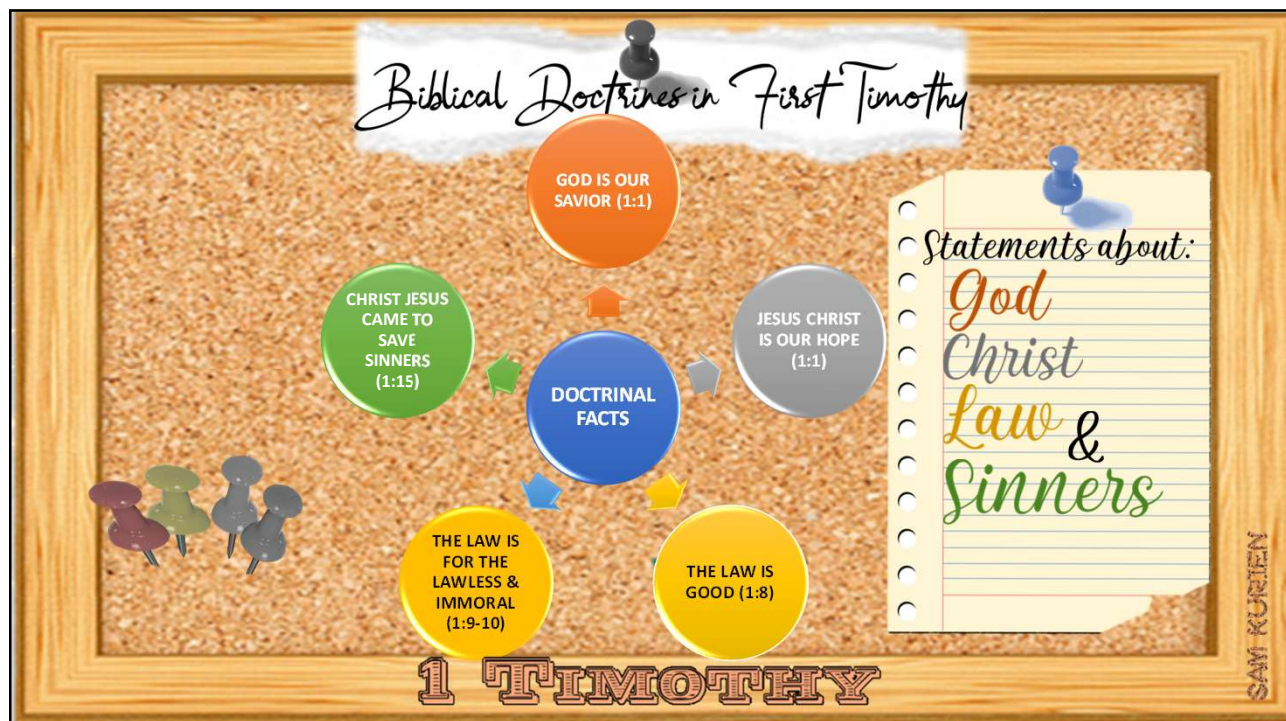
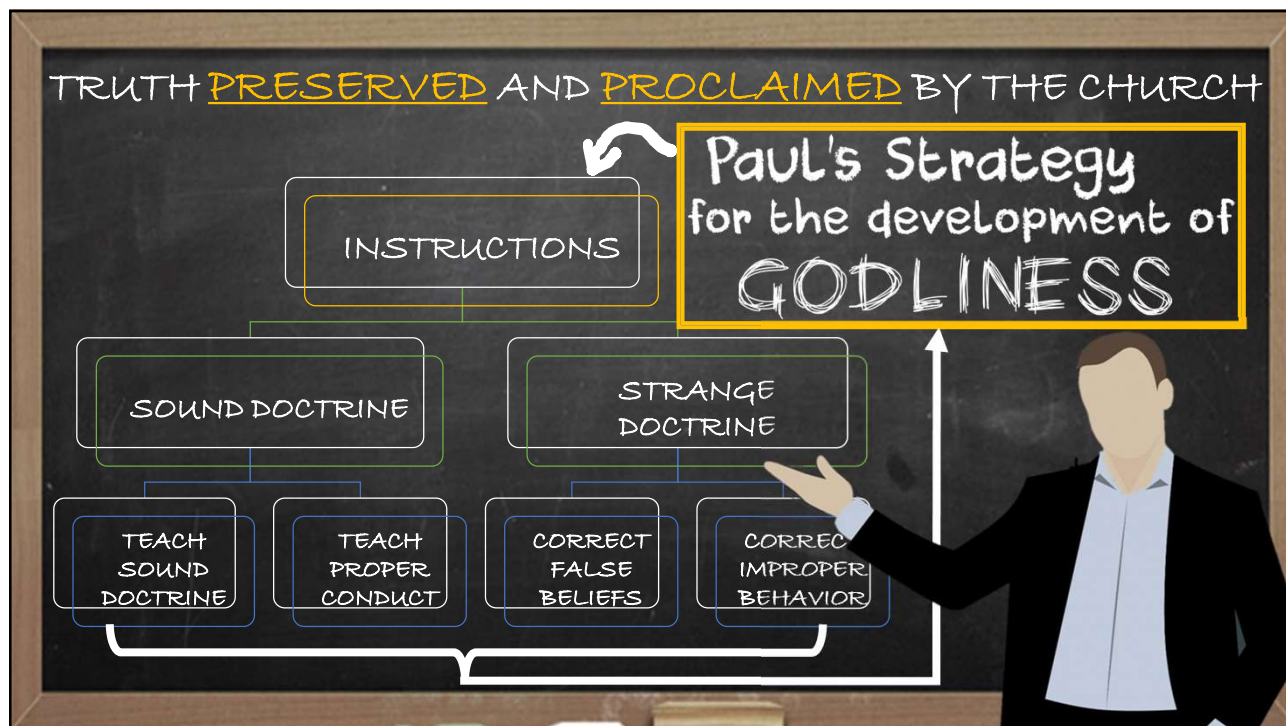


- PAY ATTENTION/ENGAGE THE MIND/DEVOTE--4 instances-προσέχω [prosechō] v.
- COMMAND/CHARGE/INSTRUCTION--2 instances-- παραγγελία [paraggelía] n.-
  - TEACH--The Greek word **διδασκαλία** [dídaskalía] occurs 7 times,
  - The verb form **διδάσκω** [dídaskō] v. occurs 3 times in 1 Timothy. This word just means to TEACH

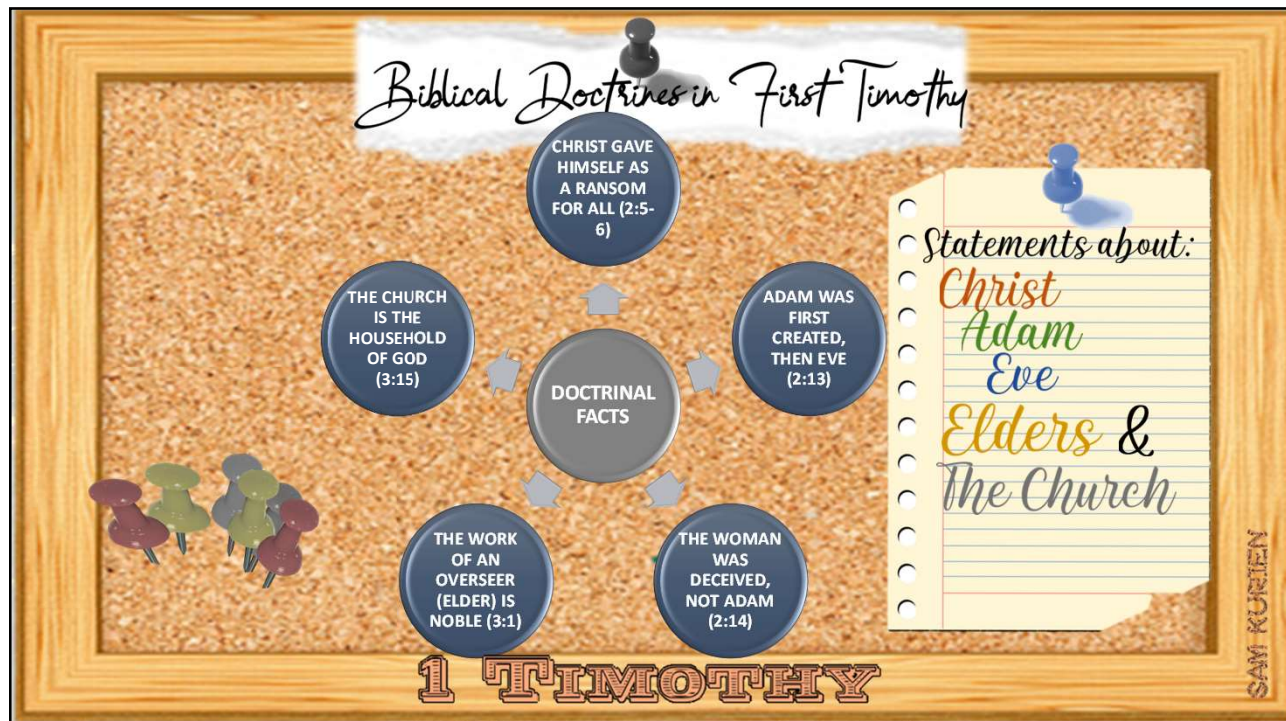
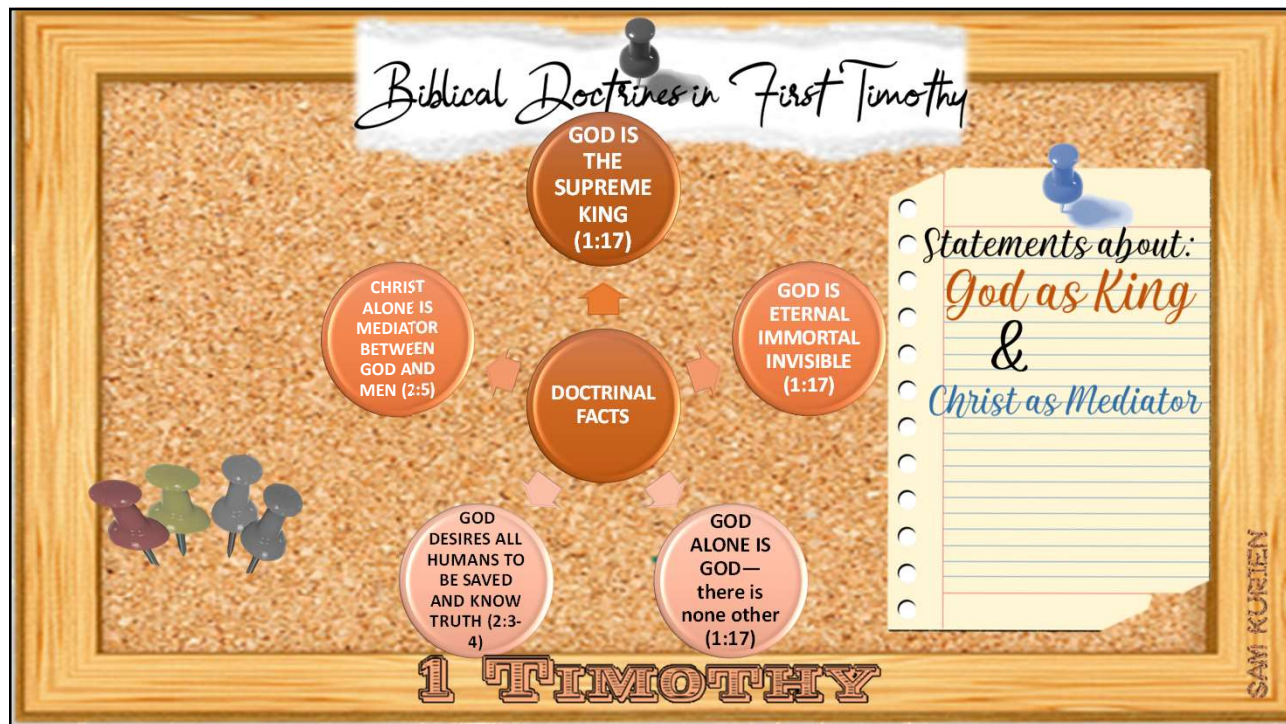
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The Purpose Statement  
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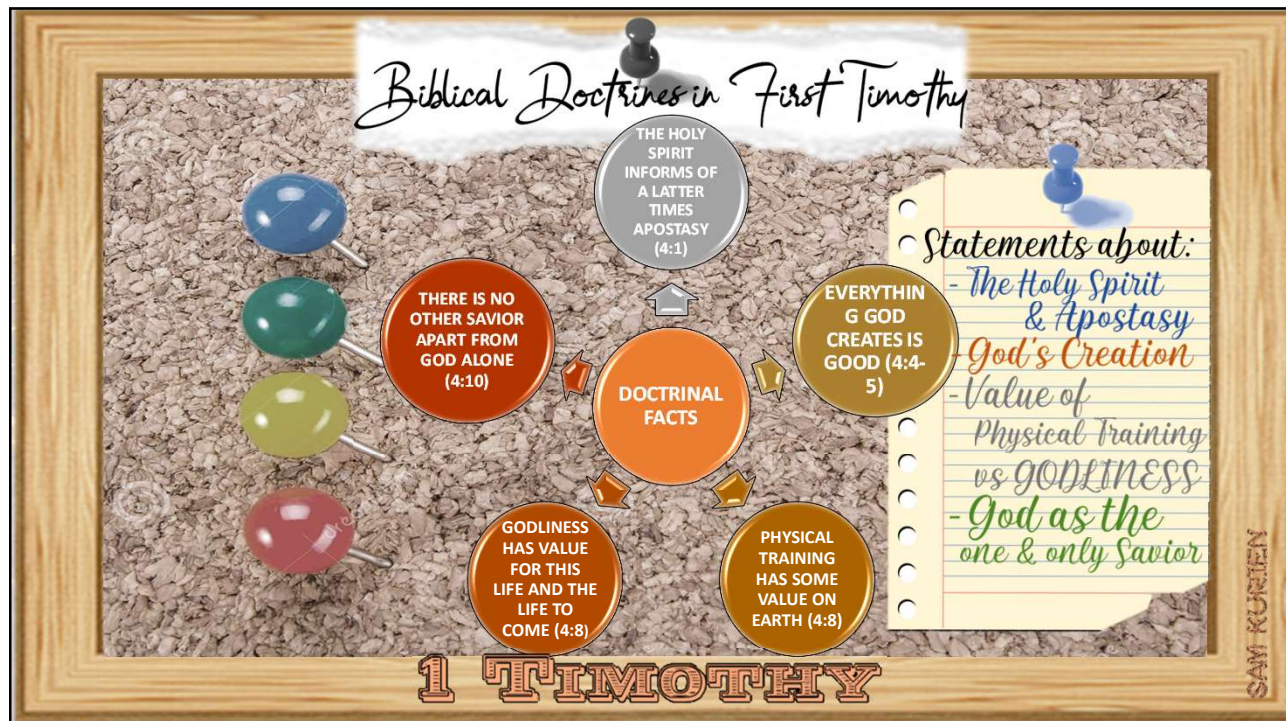
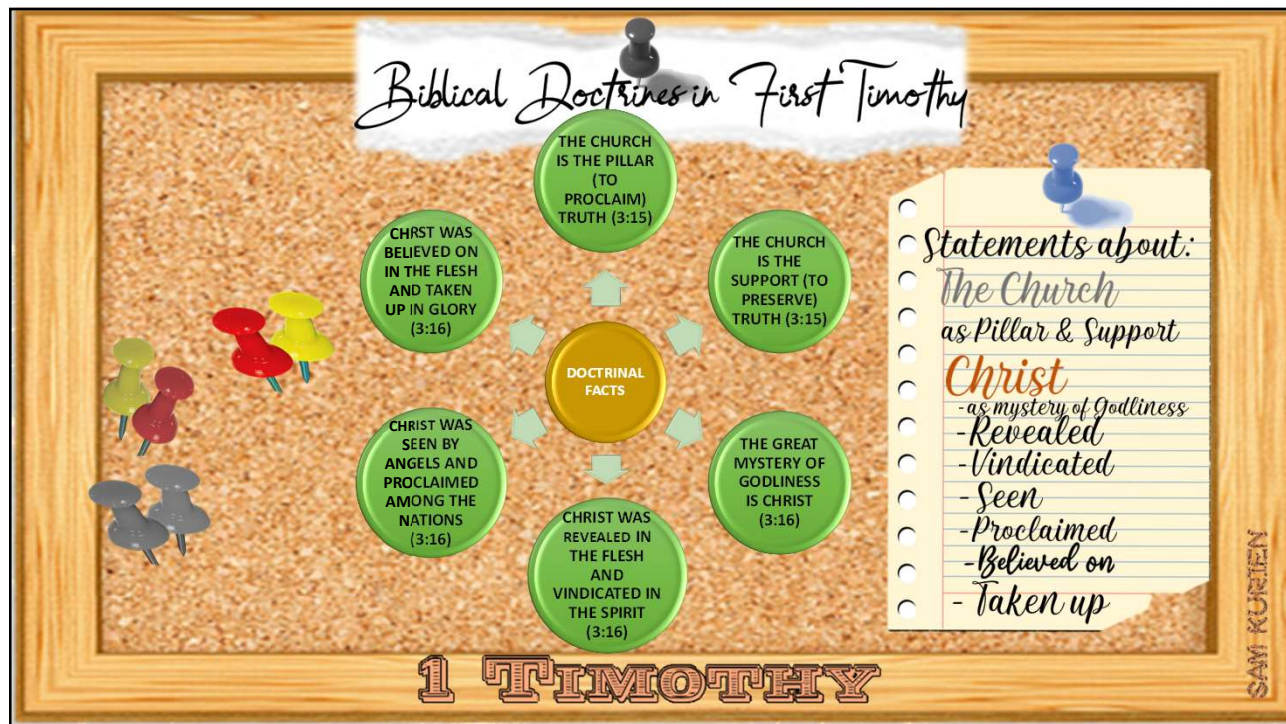




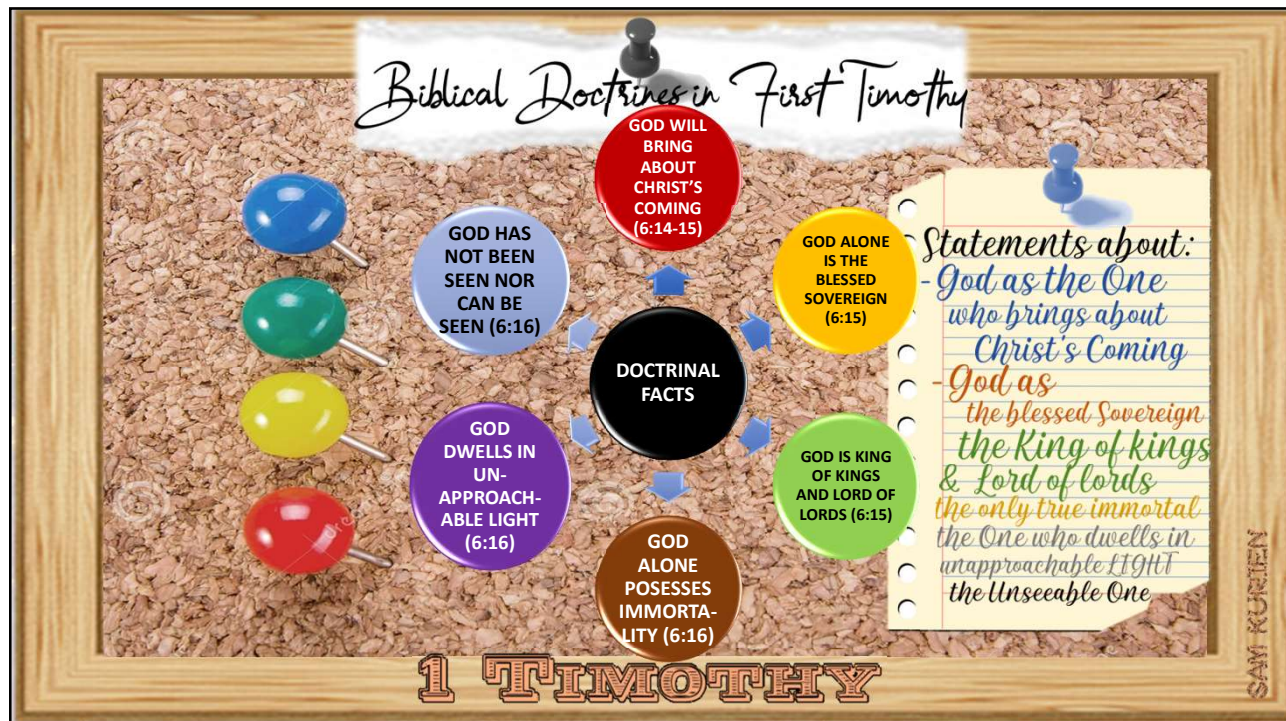
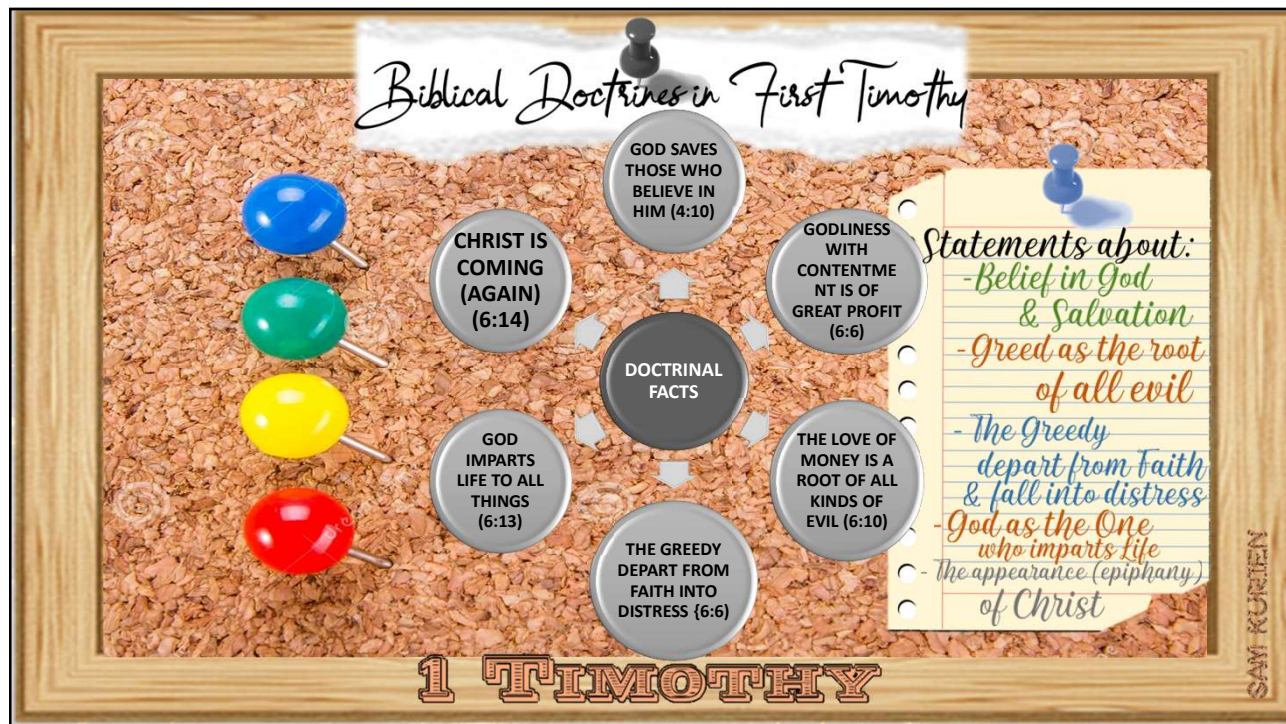















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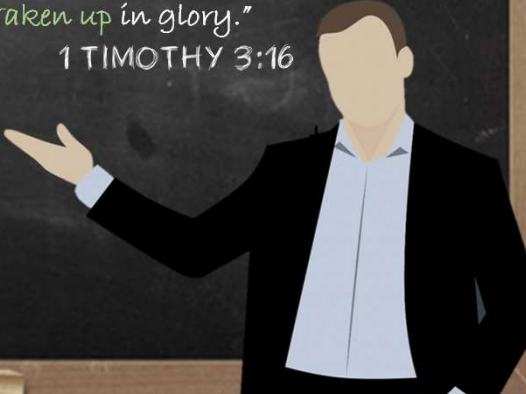
SYNONYMOUS WITH  
ORTHODOXY &  
ORTHOPRAXY





- ❑ We need to pray for kings and those in authority so that we will have the external circumstances to a life of **godliness** (1 Tim 2:2)
- ❑ A woman must adorn herself with good works as an expression of her **godliness** (1 Tim 2:10)
- ❑ We need spiritual discipline for the purpose of **godliness** (1 Tim 4:7)
- ❑ **Godliness** holds promise for this life and the life hereafter (1 Tim 4:8)
- ❑ The words of Christ are the doctrines that conform to **godliness** (1 Tim 6:3)
- ❑ It is an error to think that **godliness** is a means for material gain (1 Tim 6:5)
- ❑ **Godliness** accompanied by contentment is a means of great gain (1 Tim 6:6)
- ❑ Pursue **godliness** (1 Tim 6:11)



"By common confession, great is the **mystery of godliness**:  
 He **who** was **revealed** in the flesh,  
 was **vindicated** in the Spirit,  
**Seen** by angels,  
**Proclaimed** among the nations,  
**Believed on** in the world,  
**Taken up** in glory."  
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**OWN HOUSE**

- ✓ GOD EXPECTS PRAYER
- ✓ GOD EXPECTS HOLINESS IN MEN
- ✓ GOD EXPECTS THE GOOD WORKS OF WOMEN TO BE LOUDER THAN THEIR ATTIRE
- ✓ GOD EXPECTS WOMEN TO EXCEL IN THEIR DESIGNATED ROLE OF RAISING A GODLY OFFSPRING
- ✓ GOD EXPECTS PROPER ORDER IN THE GATHERED ASSEMBLY WITH MEN ALONE BEING ELDERS AND TEACHERS
- ✓ GOD EXPECTS QUALIFIED MEN OF GODLINESS TO BE ELDERS
- ✓ GOD EXPECTS DEACONS TO BE WITHOUT REPROACH
- ✓ GOD EXPECTS THE MEN AND WOMEN OF HIS HOUSEHOLD TO DEFEND AND FIGHT AGAINST THE LIE OF SATAN AND HIS EMISSARIES
- ✓ GOD EXPECTS OLDER MEN AND WOMEN TO BE TREATED AS FATHERS AND MOTHERS RESPECTIVELY

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- ✓ GOD EXPECTS YOUNGER MEN AND WOMEN TO BE TREATED AS BROTHERS AND SISTERS RESPECTIVELY IN ALL PURITY
- ✓ GOD EXPECTS THE PROPER TREATMENT AND CARE OF WIDOWS WHO HAVE NO ONE TO TAKE CARE OF THEM
- ✓ GOD EXPECTS FAMILY MEMBERS TO TAKE CARE OF THEIR OWN RATHER THAN BURDEN THE CHURCH
- ✓ GOD EXPECTS THE ELDERS WHO RULE WELL, AND TEACH TO BE PROPERLY REMUNERATED
- ✓ GOD EXPECTS SLAVES TO NOT USE THEIR FREEDOM IN CHRIST AS AN EXCUSE TO DO INFERIOR WORK FOR THEIR MASTERS EITHER UNBELIEVERS OR BELIEVERS
- ✓ GOD EXPECTS ALL TO HAVE A HEALTHY AND DISTANT RELATIONSHIP WITH MONEY
- ✓ GOD EXPECTS GODLINESS AS OPPOSED TO MATERIAL GAIN TO BE WHAT HIS PEOPLE SEEK
- ✓ GOD EXPECTS THESE PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES TO BE TAUGHT CONTINUOUSLY

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# GOD TAKES CENTER STAGE

- As Savior
- As Father
- As the One to whom the Gospel belongs
- As the One whose Stewards administer by Faith
- AS the King who is eternal, immortal, invisible and who is to be honored for ever and ever
- As the One to whom the Church belongs and which is His household
- As the One who created food to be eaten because His creation is good

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- who instituted marriage therefore the agenda of celibacy of the False Teachers stands against the goodness of the Marriage institution that He has set in place
- As the Only Savior, there being no other, and who efficaciously saves those who believe in Him
- who is pleased when children and grandchildren take care of their parents and family members, especially widows
- who is attentive to the prayers of widows
- who will bring about the appearance of Christ at the proper time

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1 Timothy 1:17

Now to the King eternal,  
immortal, invisible, the  
only God, be honor and  
glory forever and ever.  
Amen.

1 Timothy 6:15b-16

He who is the blessed and  
only Sovereign, the King of  
kings and Lord of lords, 16  
who alone possesses  
immortality and dwells in  
unapproachable light, whom  
no man has seen or can see.  
To Him be honor and eternal  
dominion! Amen.

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And Lord of lords

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Who alone in IMMORTAL

INVISIBLE

And who lives in unapproachable light  
Whom no one has seen or can see

The only God

Be honor and glory forever and ever

To Him be honor and eternal power

Amen

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<sup>20</sup> But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep. <sup>21</sup> For since by a man came death, by a man also came the resurrection of the dead. <sup>22</sup> For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive. <sup>23</sup> But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, after that those who are Christ's at His coming, <sup>24</sup> then comes the end, when He hands over the kingdom to the God and Father, when He has abolished all rule and all authority and power. <sup>25</sup> For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet. <sup>26</sup> The last enemy that will be abolished is death. <sup>27</sup> For HE HAS PUT ALL THINGS IN SUBJECTION UNDER HIS FEET. But when He says, "All things are put in subjection," it is evident that He is excepted who put all things in subjection to Him. <sup>28</sup> When all things are subjected to Him, then the Son Himself also will be subjected to the One who subjected all things to Him, so that God may be all in all. 1 Corinthians 15: 20-28

# GOD TAKES CENTER STAGE

- GOD DOES NOT CHANGE
- HIS AGENDA HAS NOT CHAGED
- THE CHURCH BELONGS TO GOD, AND IS HIS HOUSEHOLD,
- GOD SETS HIS RULES AND EXPECTATIONS
- THE CHURCH BEING THE DEFENDER/PRESERVER AND THE DECLARER/PROCLAIMER OF TRUTH MUST MAINTAIN GOD'S STANDARDS.
- THEREFORE OUR CONDUCT MUST BE EXEMPLARY, GOD-HONORING IN PERSONAL LIFE AS WELL AS IN CORPORATE LIFE.
- THESE WILL NEED TO BE TAUGHT UNTIL WE LEARN HIS PRECEPTS AND HIS EXPECTATIONS, AND UNTIL THE APPEARING OF CHRIST
- ULTIMATELY THE LORD ALONE WILL GET THE GLORY FOR EVER AND EVER.

## CONCLUDING EXHORTATIONS

- **FLEE** THE LOVE OF MONEY
- **PURSUE** 6 items—RIGHTEOUSNESS, GODLINESS, FAITH, LOVE, PERSEVERANCE, AND GENTLENESS
- **FIGHT**—THE GOOD FIGHT OF FAITH
- **TAKE HOLD** OF THE ETERNAL LIFE TO WHICH YOU WERE CALLED
- **CONTINUE** TO KEEP THE COMMANDMENT OF FLEEING, PURSUING AND FIGHTING
- **INSTRUCT** TO FOCUS ON GOD
- **GUARD** WHAT HAS BEEN ENTRUSTED