

July 6, 2016
“Life Together”
1 Timothy 5, 6:1-2

- I. Love in the Family (5:1-2)
 - A. Older Men As Fathers
 - B. Younger Men as Brothers
 - C. Older Women as Mothers
 - D. Younger Woman as Sisters

- II. Compassion vs. Compliance (5:3-16)
 - A. Evaluate *“Support widows who are genuinely widows”* (3)
 - B. Encourage *“But if any widow has children or grandchildren, they must learn to practice godliness toward their own family first and to repay their parents, for this pleases God.”* (4)
 - C. Exemplify *“The real widow, left all alone...”* (5)
 - D. Exclude *“however she who is self-indulgent is dead even while she lives”* (6) *“But refuse to enroll younger widows”* (11)
 - E. Exhort *“Command this also, so they won’t be blamed. But if anyone does not provide for his own, that are in his own household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever”* (7-8)
 - F. Eligibility (9-10)
 - G. Examine *“they also learn to be idle”* (13)

- III. Wisdom for Leaders (5:17-25)
 - A. Guidance for Treatment of Ministers (17-20)
 - 1. Compensation *“The elders who are good leaders should be considered worthy of an ample honorarium, especially those who work hard at preaching and teaching.”* (17-18)
 - 2. Complaints *“Don’t accept an accusation against an elder unless it is supported by two or three witnesses”* (19)
 - 3. Censure *“Publicly rebuke those who sin so that the rest will also be afraid”* (20)
 - B. General Instructions (5:21-25)
 - 1. Prejudice *“observe these things without prejudice, doing nothing out of favoritism”* (21)
 - 2. Purity *“Don’t be too quick to appoint anyone as an elder and don’t share in the sins of others; keep yourself pure”* (22)

3. Prescription *“Don’t continue drinking only water, but use a little wine because of your stomach and your frequent illnesses.”* (23)
4. Precedent *“Some people’s sins are obvious, going before them to judgment, but the sins of others surface later. Likewise, good works are obvious, and those that are not obvious cannot remain hidden.”* (24-25)

IV. Christianity in the Workplace (6:1-2)

- A. Unbelieving Masters *“regard their own masters to be worthy of all respect, so that God’s name and His teaching will not be blasphemed”* (6:1)
- B. Believing Masters *“...serve them better since these who benefit from their service are believers and dearly loved. Teach and encourage these things”* (6:2)

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