

1 Timothy 2 Summarized

Sentences

2:1-2, therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, *and* giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence.

2:3-4, for this *is* good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

2:5-7, for *there is* one God and one Mediator between God and men, *the* Man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time, for which I was appointed a preacher and an apostle -- I am speaking the truth in Christ *and* not lying -- a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

2:8-10, I desire therefore that the men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting; in like manner also, that the women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with propriety and moderation, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or costly clothing, but, which is proper for women professing godliness, with good works.

2:11, let a woman learn in silence with all submission.

2:12, and I do not permit a woman to teach or to have authority over a man, but to be in silence.

2:13-14, for Adam was formed first, then Eve. And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived, fell into transgression.

2:15, nevertheless she will be saved in childbearing if they continue in faith, love, and holiness, with self-control.

Paragraphs

2:1-7, [In light of the erroneous teachers in Ephesus who are teaching lies about God's Word and His Law resulting in ungodliness among the people and thus Paul telling Timothy to teach Jesus' Gospel truth which is the only thing that can save men and give them a pure heart, good conscience, and sincere faith—case in point: Jesus Christ turned wicked Paul into godly Paul] Paul wants the Ephesians to pray and give thanks for everyone [including lying teachers like Alexander and Hymenaeus]. He especially wants them to pray for those in authority so that they'll rule in a way that will encourage people to live peaceful, godly, dignified lives. That is, God wants all men not only to be saved but to come to the Truth, which is this: Jesus Christ, who paid man's debt, is the only One who can reconcile men to God and save them from their wicked ways, i.e., Jesus is the only One who can turn men's hearts and faith from wicked to godly. This is why God appointed Paul, to speak the truth not lies to the Gentiles, to show them the way of faith and truth in Christ.

2:8-15, [In light of the fact that Paul wants the Ephesians to pray for all men because God wants all men to be saved and realize the truth that only Jesus Christ can reconcile them to God and transform their hearts from wicked to godly which leads to godly rulers who govern in a godly manner thus encouraging a peaceful society full of people who live godly, dignified lives] Paul wants godly behavior from men and women in the church, i.e., he wants men to lift their hands in prayer instead of anger and fighting. He wants women who profess godliness not to dress provocatively or extravagantly but modestly and tastefully, showing that character, exemplified by good works, is what matters not outward appearance. As for authority in the church, a woman is not to teach or have authority over a man. Instead, she's to respect the male leadership of the church because the man was placed as the spiritual leader not the woman. When the man fails to lead and these roles are reversed, as Adam failed in the Garden of Eden, things can go terribly wrong. Nevertheless the woman will be saved from wanting to have authority over the man through motherhood, i.e., if she accepts what motherhood represents: a willingness to submit to male authority [Genesis 1:28; 2:18] which includes God-given authority over her children.

Whole Chapter

[In light of the erroneous teachers in Ephesus who are teaching lies about God's Word and His Law resulting in ungodliness among the people and thus Paul telling Timothy to teach Jesus' Gospel truth which is the only thing that can save men and give them pure, good, sincere hearts—case in point: Jesus Christ turned wicked Paul into godly Paul] Paul tells the Ephesians to pray for all men because God wants all men to be saved and to realize the truth that only Jesus Christ can reconcile them to God and transform their hearts from wicked to godly, including rulers whose godly policies will foster a peaceful society filled with godly, dignified people. Therefore, Paul wants godly behavior from the men and women in the church, i.e., men should use their hands to pray not argue and fight. Women should dress tastefully and modestly not extravagantly or provocatively acknowledging that character is what matters not outward appearance. As for authority in the church, a woman is not to teach or have authority over a man instead she's to submit to the male leadership of the church. Why? Because spiritual leadership was given to the man not the woman. When these roles are reversed, things can go terribly wrong as they did when Adam failed in his responsibility to lead and protect. Nevertheless women will be delivered from wanting to rule over men through motherhood, i.e., through accepting what motherhood represents: a willingness to submit to male authority [Genesis 1:28; 2:18] which includes a woman's God-given authority over her children.