

The Household of God

A Survey of 1 Timothy

Study #5

Widows and Elders

(1 Timothy 5:1-25)

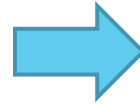
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Principles from 1 Timothy 1 - 4

Chapter 1

The Teacher's Role/The Teaching's Goal
The Place of the Mosaic Law
The Primacy of Grace
The Church As a Battleground



Chapter 2

The Need for Social Intercession
Gender Roles Within the Church



Chapter 3

The Desire to Lead
Qualifications for Leadership
Deacons/Deaconesses
The Nature and Function of the Church



Chapter 4

The Reality and Nature of Desertion
The Discipline of a Good Servant

Five Principles from Chapter Five

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Principle 1 Handling Conflict In the Church

How? Do Not Sharply Rebuke...Rather Appeal

Do not strike...rather come alongside.

Why? Because We Are Family

That is not just an old man...

He is your father!

That is not just a young man...

He is your brother!

That is not just an old woman...

She is your mother!

That is not just a young woman...

She is your sister!

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Principle 2

Supporting Widows

Qualifications for Supported Widows

She Must...

- A** Be Alone (A True Widow)
- B** Be Single
- C** Be at Least 60 Years Old
- D** Have Been Faithful to her Husband
- E** Be Active in the Church
- Have Nurtured her Children **F**
- Show Hospitality **G**
- Wash Holy Feet (Be Humble) **H**
- Help the Oppressed **I**
- Be Devoted to Good Work **J**

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Supporting Elders Biblically Means...

Offering Financial Support

Because It Is Scriptural

Because the Lord Taught It

Being Impartial

Act Without Bias

Show No Partiality

Disciplining Correctly

Do Not Receive an
Unproven Accusation

Publicly Rebuke
Persistent Sin

Appointing Carefully

Measure Qualifications

Move Deliberately

Principle 3 Supporting Elders

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Principle 4 Using Medicine

Freedom

All things are *lawful*...

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But With a Warning

but not all things are *profitable!*

but I will not be *mastered* by *anything!*

Summary

Herbal and pharmaceutical medicine is acceptable, as long as...

- 1 It does not impair my mental state to the extent that I can not function biblically,
- 2 It does not break man's law, and;
- 3 It does not ensnare or enslave me.

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Principle 5 Exercising Proper Judgment

Some sins are obvious immediately, and some are hidden

Some righteous deeds are obvious, and some are hidden

The Point?

Truth will out!

Luke 8:17, Ephesians 5:13

“You will know them by their fruits.”

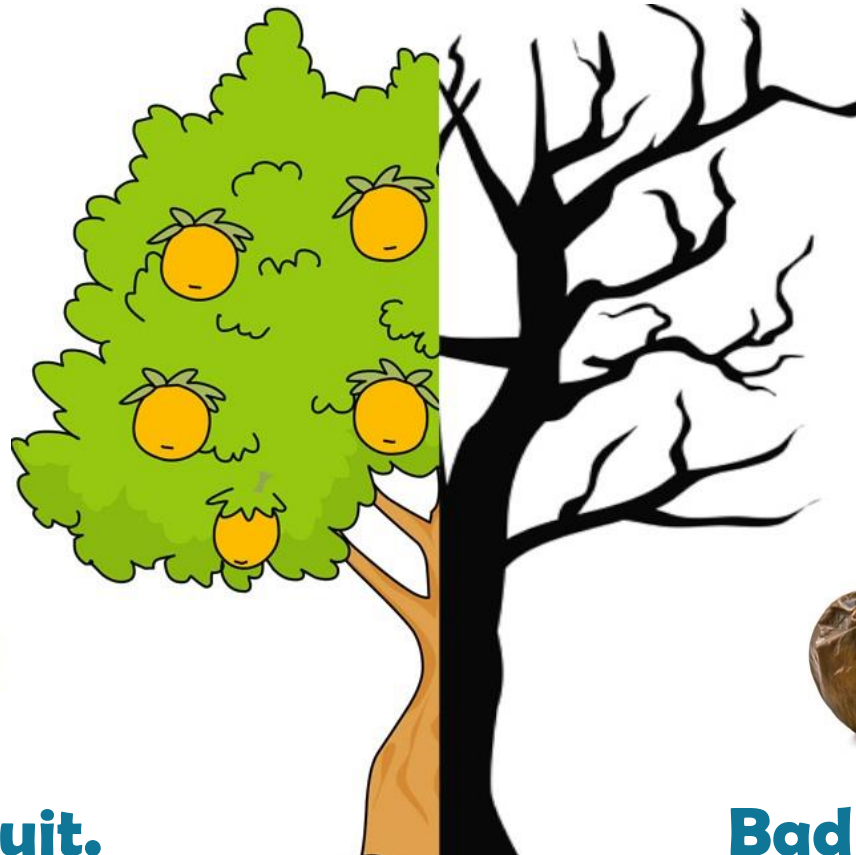
- Jesus *(Matthew 7:16)*

So **judge** the fruit!

Good Tree?



Good Fruit.



Bad Tree?



Bad Fruit.