## 1 Timothy 2 – Summary Thoughts

# **Table – 1 Timothy 2:1-15**

- 1 I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men;
- For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.
- 3 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour;
- 4 Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.
- For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;
- 6 Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.
- Whereunto I am ordained a preacher, and an apostle, (I speak the truth in Christ, and lie not;) a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and verity.
- 8 I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting.
- In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shame-facedness and sobriety; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array;
- 10 But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.
- 11 Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection.
- But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence.
- 13 For Adam was first formed, then Eve.
- And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression.
- Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.

## **Notes on Table – 1 Timothy 2:1-15**

For detailed comments see Dr Ruckman's commentary *Pastoral Epistles*, *I & II Timothy – Titus* pp 31-53 and the *Ruckman Reference Bible* pp 1581-1582.

- 1. <u>1 Timothy 2:1-6</u>. Paul here as first priority "<u>first of all</u>" urges manifold prayer "<u>for all men</u>" 1 Timothy 2:1 and in particular "<u>for all that are in authority</u>" essentially "<u>that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty</u>" 1 Timothy 2:2. That is what <u>God Himself</u> wants "<u>For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour</u>" 1Timothy 2:3.
  - 1 Timothy 2:3 is germane to the *preferred* will of God "<u>Who will have all men to be saved</u>, <u>and to come unto the knowledge of the truth</u>" 1 Timothy 2:4 by means of His "<u>one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus</u>" 1 Timothy 2:5 Who is "<u>himself a ransom for all</u>" 1 Timothy 2:6. Paul is therefore most explicit about prayer with respect to its priority, persons prayed for and its projected outcomes that *God aspires* to.
  - 1.1. "...first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; For kings, and for all that are in authority" 1 Timothy 2:1-2:

Prayer ranks "first of all" with "first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures" 1 Corinthians 15:3-4. As will be seen prayer is at the heart of "the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you" Luke 22:20 i.e. salvation and bearing witness to it. Note first remarks on the types of prayer that Paul specifies and how they may apply "for all men...and for all that are in authority."

"supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; For kings, and for all that are in authority" refer to:

• Over-arching prayer for right-mindedness "<u>for all men</u>." See 1 Timothy 1 – Summary Thoughts p 8 <u>www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/</u>and this extract.

Paul's declaration that "<u>This is a faithful saying</u>, and worthy of all acceptation, <u>that</u> <u>Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners</u>" 1 Timothy 1:15 is so because the Lord Jesus Christ Himself declared what should be the preoccupation for today's believer "<u>For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost</u>" Luke 19:10. Today's believer should therefore pray to meet those of whom the scripture says each is "<u>in his right mind</u>" Mark 5:15, Luke 8:35 acutely conscious of the Spirit of God's reproof "<u>of sin</u>, <u>and of righteousness</u>, <u>and of judgment</u>" John 16:8 and context for whom the disciples testify to the Lord that "<u>All men seek for thee</u>" Mark 1:37.

It should also be prayed that when enlightened by "the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world" John 1:9 "to come unto the knowledge of the truth" 1 Timothy 2:4 via "the Spirit of truth" John 16:13 Who "when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment" John 16:8 men don't go over to the dark side where "men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil" John 3:19 but instead fulfil the Lord's preferred will "But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God" John 3:21.

Note this man "in his right mind." "And at the end of the days I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes unto heaven, and mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the most High, and I praised and honoured him that liveth for ever, whose dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom is from generation to generation" Daniel 4:34.

- Needful supply. "But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus" Philippians 4:19 e.g. a faithful princess consort for Prince Harry because "A virtuous woman is a crown to her husband: but she that maketh ashamed is as rottenness in his bones" Proverbs 12:4.
- Prayers for protection. "And he shall live...prayer also shall be made for him continually; and daily shall he be praised" Psalm 72:15 e.g. Queen Victoria survived no fewer than seven assassination attempts. See:

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Therefore noting Hebrews 13:15 "By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name" prayerful subjects should honour the king's request as many of Queen Victoria's no doubt did noting the order in what follows "That they may offer sacrifices of sweet savours unto the God of heaven, and pray for the life of the king, and of his sons" Ezra 6:10.

• Pleadings for Repentance in that "intercessions" are pleadings. Isaiah 51:22 "Thus saith thy Lord the LORD, and thy God that pleadeth the cause of his people, Behold, I have taken out of thine hand the cup of trembling, even the dregs of the cup of my fury; thou shalt no more drink it again" with Romans 8:26 "Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered" and Romans 8:27, 34, Hebrews 7:25 show that "intercessions" are pleadings.

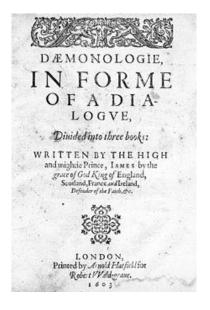
The Lord Jesus Christ said "I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance" Luke 5:32. Therefore pray that each who is "in his right mind" Mark 5:15, Luke 8:35, see Over-arching prayer for right-mindedness "for all men" 1 Timothy 2:1, would be drawn to the Lord's call as in the early church such that "When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life" Acts 11:18. Pray further that they would not lapse into the dark side according to Paul's rebuke "...despisest thou the riches of his goodness and forbearance and longsuffering; not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance?" Romans 2:4.

By way of example Dr Suzannah Lipscomb has given in this writer's view a *right-minded* presentation of King James 1<sup>st</sup>'s work *Daemonologie*. See

www.channel5.com/shows/witches-a-century-of-murder?explore\_show\_page=1&page=1#related\_contents until October 2016

## en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Daemonologie.

Dr Lipscomb has thereby with respect to King James 1<sup>st</sup> fulfilled Romans 12:17 "<u>Provide things honest in the sight of all men</u>" and should be interceded for i.e. pleaded for to be granted according to 1 Timothy 2:2 "<u>a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty</u>."



- "many thanksgivings unto God" 2 Corinthians 9:12 for above answered prayer showing prayer to be germane to salvation, see point 1.1. above, according to 1 Timothy 2:3-4 "For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth" and 1 John 5:14-15 "And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us: And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him."
- 1.2. "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" 1 Timothy 2:5-6:

Today's believer can take great comfort in that for him "God...manifest in the flesh" 1 Timothy 3:16 the Lord Jesus Christ is the great Intercessor, Pleader, Redeemer and Saviour.

"Who is he that condemneth? <u>It is Christ that died</u>, <u>yea rather</u>, <u>that is risen again</u>, who is even at the right hand of God, <u>who also maketh intercession for us</u>" Romans 8:34.

"But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption" 1 Corinthians 1:30.

"Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them" Hebrews 7:25.

"This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation. For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe" 1 Timothy 4:9-10.

2. <u>1 Timothy 2:7-8</u>. Paul here outlines his calling and again underlines the centrality of prayer with respect to "the gospel of God" Romans 1:1 that Paul therefore first-mentions as such "Whereunto I am ordained a preacher, and an apostle, (I speak the truth in Christ, and lie not;) a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and verity. I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting." Note the definition of "verity" as "the truth in Christ" in the context according to the Lord's expression "Verily, verily" found thoughout the Gospel of John; John 1:51, 3:3, 5, 11, 5:19, 24, 25, 6:26, 32, 47, 53, 8:34, 51, 58, 10:1, 7, 12:24, 13:16, 20, 21, 38, 14:12, 16:20, 23, 21:18, 25 occurrences in all.

Paul describes his calling as set out in 1 Timothy 2:7-8 in other scriptures as shown below and therefore shows in more detail the calling that today's believer should follow, in particular with respect to the prayer exhortation of 1 Timothy 2:8 that fits with point 1 above and relates directly both to believers *fulfilling* and unbelievers *repenting* and receiving "the gospel of God."

"Nevertheless, brethren, I have written the more boldly unto you in some sort, as putting you in mind, because of the grace that is given to me of God, That I should be the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God, that the offering up of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy Ghost...For I will not dare to speak of any of those things which Christ hath not wrought by me, to make the Gentiles obedient, by word and deed" Romans 15:15-16, 18 with Hebrews 13:15, see point 1.1 above.

"Wherefore I beseech you, be ye followers of me...Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ" 1 Corinthians 4:16, 11:1.

"Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample" Philippians 3:17.

"So being affectionately desirous of you, we were willing to have imparted unto you, not the gospel of God only, but also our own souls, because ye were dear unto us. For ye remember, brethren, our labour and travail: for labouring night and day, because we would not be chargeable unto any of you, we preached unto you the gospel of God...For this cause also

thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe" 1 Thessalonians 2:8-9, 13.

"Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of his goodness, and the work of faith with power: That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ" 2 Thessalonians 1:11-12.

"And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth" 2 Timothy 2:24-25 with 1 Timothy 2:8.

Prayer in the above respects is to be *unified*, *honest* and *believing* prayer as James exhorts.

"But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord...But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish. For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work" James 1:7-8.

- 3. <u>1 Timothy 2:9-15</u>. Paul here addresses the character of "<u>women professing godliness</u>" 1 Timothy 2:10 that must be "<u>in like manner</u>...<u>without wrath and doubting</u>" 1 Timothy 2:9 with "<u>holy men of God</u>" 2 Peter 1:21.
  - 3.1. "In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shame-facedness and sobriety; not...costly array; But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works" 1 Timothy 2:9-10:

Peter corroborates Paul's exhortation above with respect to "<u>a meek and quiet spirit</u>" of a godly woman that corresponds to "<u>shamefacedness and sobriety</u>" 1 Timothy 2:9. Observe that God has given the <u>same</u> criteria for "<u>women professing godliness</u>" 1 Timothy 2:10 to the <u>married</u> apostle as He did for the <u>unmarried</u> apostle, 1 Corinthians 9:5.

"Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives; While they behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear. Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel; But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price. For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their own husbands" 1 Peter 3:1-5.

God promises a great reward for a woman who by prayer, 1 Timothy 2:8, "<u>in like manner...without wrath and doubting</u>" 1 Timothy 2:9 with "<u>holy men of God</u>" 2 Peter 1:21 aims to satisfy the above criteria.

"Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the LORD, she shall be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates" Proverbs 31:30-31.

3.2. "Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection. But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence...the woman being deceived was in the transgression. Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety" 1 Timothy 2:11-15:

Paul is explicit about authority for church *teaching* and in the home with respect to men and women as he explains elsewhere. Paul shows that 1 Timothy 2:11-15 "<u>are the commandments of the Lord</u>" 1 Corinthians 14:37.

"Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but they are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law. And if they will learn any thing, let them ask their husbands at home: for it is a shame for women to speak in the church...the things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord" 1 Corinthians 14:34-35, 37.

Why Paul writes as he does with respect to the woman's vulnerability to deception and in turn transgression is set out in the following extract. See <a href="www.timefortruth.co.uk/why-av-only/AV1611 Advanced Revelations">www.timefortruth.co.uk/why-av-only/AV1611 Advanced Revelations</a>.

#### **AV1611 Advanced Revelations**

#### Introduction

Dr Ruckman [*The Christian's Handbook of Manuscript Evidence* by Dr Peter S. Ruckman p 126] refers to what he terms advanced revelations in the AV1611, passages that yield information not found in the modern versions e.g. 1984 NIV, 2011 NIV, NKJV. See the following:

## Genesis 2:16-17, 24, 3:1-3 and modern feminism or feminazism

Much criticism of supposed archaic words in the AV1611 is aimed at the personal pronouns "thee," "thou" etc. However, these supposedly archaic forms enable the reader to distinguish between the second person singular ('thee') and the second person plural ('you'), a distinction lost in modern English. This distinction in the AV1611 in Genesis 2:16-17, 24, 3:1-3 yields a startling advanced revelation about the rise of modern feminism or feminazism that is concealed by the modern versions that replaced "thee" and "thou" with "you." Genesis 2:16-17, 24, 3:1-3 read as follows.

"And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die."

"Therefore shall <u>a man leave his father and his mother</u>, <u>and shall cleave unto his wife</u>: and <u>they shall be one flesh</u>."

"Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, <u>Yea</u>, <u>hath God said</u>, <u>Ye</u> shall not eat of every tree of the garden? And the woman said unto the serpent, <u>We</u> may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, <u>Ye</u> shall not eat of it, neither shall <u>ye</u> touch it, lest <u>ye</u> die."

God used the singular "thou" when speaking to Adam in Genesis 2:16-17 and He did not update it in scripture to the plural "Ye" after Adam received his wife because they were "one flesh."

The Devil, a *positive* thinker who questioned *first of all* what God *said* i.e. God's *words*, not truths, message, principles, fundamentals or composite 'Word,' drove a wedge between Adam and his wife by using the plural "Ye" by which "the woman being deceived was in the transgression" 1 Timothy 2:14 in that she wrongly replied with the plural "We" and "ye." That simple but wrong reply indicated a willingness on the part of the woman to be independent of her husband that the Devil successfully exploited to the ruin of men such that by the time of Genesis 6:11 "The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence." As indicated, the woman's reply depicting herself as separate from her husband has in it, additionally to the pending Fall, the seeds of the modern feminazi movement that is especially destructive to marriage, home, church and family.

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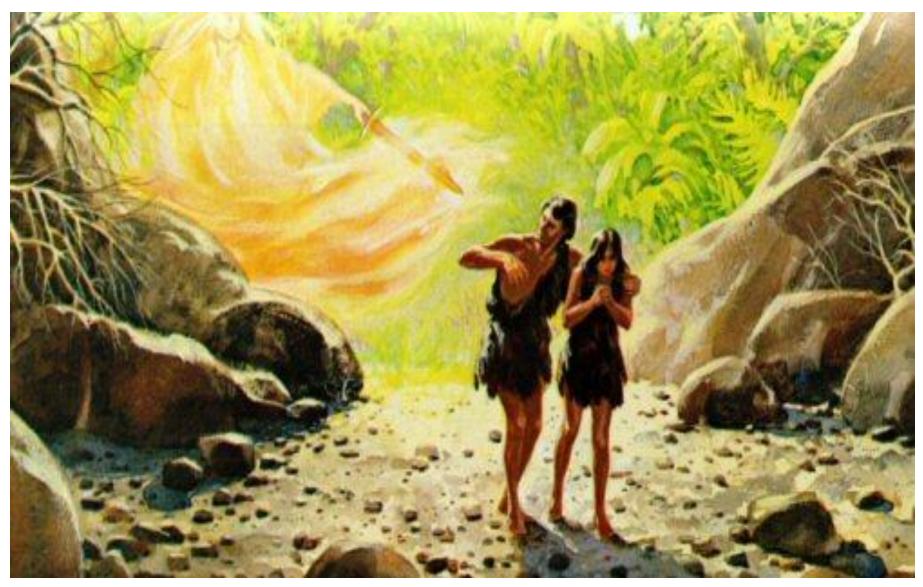
Eve, Genesis 3:20, could have replied "No! God said 'thou shalt not eat of it' because Adam and me are "one flesh." Take a hike, Lucifer [Isaiah 14:12]!" Such a definitive reply would have saved a lot of grief over the last six millennia but its potential is obscured in the modern versions, which itself provides further insight into who is behind them, given the identity of Eve's deceiver.

Paul then wisely concludes this chapter on a compassionate note of how a married couple should bear with one another "<u>in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety</u>" 1 Timothy 2:15 and keep bonded to one another and with "<u>the Spirit of God</u>" 1 Corinthians 3:16 being at peace with each other and thankful for one another especially through the tense time of childbearing the guidelines for which he includes in further scriptures as follows.

Note that "<u>one body</u>" may apply to a married couple, who are "<u>one flesh</u>" Ephesians 5:31, as well as to "<u>the body of Christ</u>" 1 Corinthians 12:27.

"I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" Ephesians 4:1-3.

"Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful" Colossians 3:12-15.



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