

PAUL TO A "T" 1 TIMOTHY 2

Pray and ask God to help you to know Him better as you study His Word.

Read the Bible passage (preferably without using commentaries).

Begin to answer the questions using your own words.

Questions are based on New International Version (NIV) 1984 edition.

Lesson 13 • 1 Timothy 2 • January 25, 2012

1. What truth, verse or insight from last week's study of **1 Timothy 1:12-10** has been helpful to you?

SECTION I: Read 1 Timothy 2:1-7

2. a) In **V1** Paul tells Timothy that communication with God is the most important thing. Use a dictionary and put in your own words what the following mean and how they differ from one another:

Requests _____

Prayers _____

Intercession _____

Thanksgiving _____

- b) For whom are these requests, prayers, etc. to be made and to what end?
3. a) How does Paul characterize these communications in **V3**?
- b) What is God's desire for all men? (**V4**)
4. **V5-6** emphasize the uniqueness of Jesus. What are the different aspects of Jesus mentioned in these verses?
5. God is perfect, sinless and holy while man is imperfect and blemished by sin. How is Jesus the mediator between God and man? Look up the word "mediator" in a dictionary and then read **Hebrews 9:14-15** for insight.

6. a) Explain how Jesus gave Himself as a ransom for all? You may need to use a dictionary to look up the word "ransom."
- b) What evidence is there in your life today that you have been released from the slavery of sin?
7. From **V7**, list the various roles to which Paul was appointed, and to whom he was called to serve.
8. Paul experienced severe persecution for sharing and defending the "true faith." Who is God calling you to share or teach the true faith despite possible persecution?

SECTION II: Read 1 Timothy 2:8-15

9. a) From **V8**, how are men to worship?
- b) Paul's letter to Timothy was addressing issues that had surfaced in the church in Ephesus. What may have been the situation with the men of the church that was addressed by **V8**?
10. a) Paul then speaks to the women of the church; what issue did he address in **V9-10**?
- b) How should a Godly woman be clothed? See also **1 Peter 3:3-4**.
- c) How does the way you dress in church or anywhere else reflect a "woman who professes to worship God?"
11. How is a woman to learn (**V11**), and how does this relate to the order of creation referred to in **V13-14**?

12. a) From **V12**, what are the limitations Paul placed on women in the church of Ephesus?
- b) This subject is controversial. Share with sensitivity where and when you feel it is appropriate for a woman to teach?
- c) What issue or problem do you think Paul may have been addressing in these verses?
13. There are differing interpretations of **V15**. Try to explain the meaning in your own words. (See **Galatians 4:4-7** for one possible view.)
14. Write a prayer regarding worship that occurs at your church, based on Chapter 2.

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1. There are many examples of women in ministry in the New Testament. Summarize the different roles of women (both specific and general) in the following verses:

Acts 18:24-26 _____

Romans 16:1-3 _____

1 Corinthians 11:5 _____

2 Timothy 1:5, 3:15 _____

Titus 2:3-5 _____

2. a) Write a spiritual truth from **Ephesians 4:11-13** about the various roles we have in the body of Christ:

- b) How does this encourage you in light of **1 Timothy 2:8-15**?

