Paul's First Letter to Timothy – Part 2 (c. 61–62)

1 Timothy 2

Pattern for Public Prayer

- 1 First of all, then, I urge that entreaties *and* prayers, petitions *and* thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men,
- 2 for kings and all who are in authority, so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity.
- 3 This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior,
- 4 who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.
- 5 For there is one God, and one mediator also between God and men, the man Christ Jesus,
- 6 who gave Himself as a ransom for all, the testimony given at the proper time.
- 7 For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying) as a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.
- 8 Therefore I want the men in every place to pray, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and dissension.

Modesty and the Role of Women

- 9 Likewise, *I want* women to adorn themselves with proper clothing, modestly and discreetly, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly garments,
- 10 but rather by means of good works, as is proper for women making a claim to godliness.
- 11 A woman must quietly receive instruction with entire submissiveness.
- 12 But I do not allow a woman to teach or exercise authority over a man, but to remain quiet.
- 13 For it was Adam who was first created, and then Eve.
- 14 And it was not Adam who was deceived, but the woman being deceived, fell into transgression.
- 15 But *women* will be preserved through the bearing of children if they continue in faith and love and sanctity with self-restraint.

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