2—8. I, TIMOTHY.   
   
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 Sor that is good and aec- requite their parents: for ° this iS ofce Gen ztn,   
 ceptable before God. § Now ft acceptable before God. ; tt,   
 she that is a widow indeed, that is a widow indeed, and 5 But ¢she } ay \* ie   
 and desolate, trusteth in hath set her hope toward God, and th   
 God, and continueth in fcontinueth in her supplications and fj, ancient   
 supplications and prayers her prayers €night and day. tuthoritis,   
 night and day. § But she hshe that is given to dissipation But is James 7.   
 that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth.   
 dead while she liveth. And things command, that they may be 5.   
 these things give in charge, irreproachable. qi ich. i.3.& tv.   
 that they may be blameless. And these teh. 1.   
 8 But if any provide not 8 But if any pro-   
   
   
 “their own household” is thus the simple just described; and desolate, as contrast-   
 and usual one, as the widow in question ing her condition with that of her who has   
 would be the head of the household: On children or grandchildren. Thus what   
 hypothesis (2), fo behave piously towards, follows is said more for moral eulogy of   
 i.e. to honour with the honour which God such a widow, than as commending her   
 commands, their own family, i.e. the to the charity of the Church: but at the   
 widowed mother or grandmother who is same time, as pointing out that one who   
 one of their own family. This sense of thus places her hopes and spends her time,   
 the verb is common enough: the reference is best deserving of Church’s help.   
 being generally (not always, it is true) to hath set] The word implies, ‘ and continues   
 superiors,—those who demand reverence, to set,’ her hape. toward God, as its   
 —those who stand in the place of This portion and ultimate aim,—as distinguished   
 sense of their own family or kousehold is from “on God,” ch. iv. 10, on God as its   
 not so usual, but not therefore to be re- present stay. her (or, the) supplica-   
 jected. To dishonour their widowed mother - the Church). (or, the) prayers (i.e.   
 or grandmother, would be to dishonour her own, private, or the public prayers of   
 their own family, in that one of its mem- night and day] So St.   
 bers who most required respect. Luke’ of Anna the prophetess, ii. 37.   
 and to requite their parents] On ly po- 6.] Contrast to the character just   
 thesis (1), as Chrysostom, “They (their described : and that certainly with a view   
 parents) are dead and gone—thou canst to point out that this kind of widow is no   
 not requite them: thou didst not beget object for the charity the Church, as not   
 them, nor yet bring them up. Requite being at all a partaker the life unto   
 it to them in their grandchildren: pay is given to dissipation] The Greek   
 your debt through their posterity.” But word which I have thus rendered signifies   
 surely it is a very strange way of re- to live riotously retchlessly. is dead   
 quiting our progenitors for their care while she liveth] while alive in the flesh,   
 of us, to be kind towards our own chil- has no real life the Spirit: see ref.—and   
 dren: and besides, what would this have Matt. viii. Eph. v.14, I cannot help   
 to do with the question, whether or not regarding the idea as in the background,—   
 the widow was to be put on the charity ‘and, if devoid of spiritual then not to   
 roll of the church? But on hypothesis (2) be taken into account by the Church.’   
 this sentence certainly becomes more clear ‘7.] these things most naturally applies to   
 and natural. Let them, the children or the characters just given of widows, not   
 grandchildren, learn first to be piously more generally: and in that case the   
 grateful to (these members of) their own “ that they may be irreproachable” must   
 families, and to give back returns (a re- refer to the widows also, not to the chil-   
 turn in each case) to their progenitors (so dren and grandchildren, or to these and   
 called, although living, because, mother the widows together, or more widely still.   
 and grandmother having been both men- This narrower reference is confirmed by   
 tioned, parents was the only word which the next verse, which takes up the duty of   
 would include them in one category). the relations, connected not by “for,”   
 for this, &c.] See ch. ii. 3. bat by “det.” 8.] any, not only of   
 5.] See above on ver. 3. she that is the children or grandchildren above, or   
 a widow indeed, as opposed to the widow any persons connected with widows,—but