

THE FIRST EPISTLE OF PAUL TO TIMOTHY

Salutation. Charge Respecting Misuse of the Law.
Personal Thanksgiving.

PAUL, ^aan apostle of ^bChrist Jesus ^caccording to the commandment of ^dGod our Savior, and of ^bChrist Jesus, *who is our hope*;

2 to ^aTimothy, ^bmy true child in *the faith*: ^cGrace, mercy and peace from God the Father and ^dChrist Jesus our Lord.

3 As I urged you ¹upon my departure for ^aMacedonia, ²remain on at ^bEphesus, in order that you may instruct certain men not to ^cteach strange doctrines,

4 nor to ¹pay attention to ^amyths and endless ^bgenealogies, which give rise to mere ^cspeculation rather than ^dfurthering ²God's provision which is by faith.

5 But the goal of our ^{1a}instruction is love ^bfrom a pure heart and a ^cgood conscience and a sincere ^dfaith.

6 For some men, straying from these things, have turned aside to ^afruitless discussion,

7 ^awanting to be ^bteachers of the Law, even though they do not understand either what they are saying or the matters about which they make confident assertions.

8 But we know that ^athe Law is good, if one uses it lawfully,

9 realizing the fact that ^alaw is not made for a righteous man, but for those who are lawless and ^brebellious, for the ^cungodly and sinners, for the unholy and ^dprofane, for those who kill their fathers or mothers, for murderers

10 ¹and ^{2a}immoral men ¹and ^bhomosexuals ¹and ^ckidnappers ¹and ^dliars ¹and ^cperjurers, and whatever else is contrary to ^fsound teaching,

11 according to ^athe glorious gospel of ^bthe blessed God, with which I have been ^centrusted.

12 I thank ^aChrist Jesus our Lord, who has ^bstrengthened me, because He considered me faithful, ^cputting me into service;

13 even though I was formerly a blasphemer and a ^apersecutor and a violent aggressor. And yet I was ^bshown mercy, because ^cI acted ignorantly in unbelief;

14 and the ^agrace of our Lord was more than abundant, with the ^bfaith and love which are *found* in Christ Jesus.

15 ^aIt is a trustworthy statement, deserving full acceptance, that ^bChrist Jesus came into the world to ^csave sinners, among whom ^dI am foremost of all.

16 And yet for this reason I ^afound mercy, in order that in me as the foremost, Jesus Christ might ^bdemonstrate His perfect patience, as an example for those ¹who would believe in Him for eternal life.

17 Now to the ^aKing ¹eternal, ^bimmortal, ^cinvisible, the ^donly God, ^ebe honor and glory ²forever and ever. Amen.

18 This ^acommand I entrust to you, Timothy, ^bmy ¹son, in

¹2 Cor. 1:1; 2 Tim. 1:1
^b1 Tim. 1:12 ^cTitus 1:3
^dLuke 1:47; Titus 1:3 ^eCol. 1:27

²a Acts 16:1; 2 Tim. 1:2
^b2 Tim. 1:2; Titus 1:4
^c2 Tim. 1:2; Titus 1:4; Rom. 1:7 ^d1 Tim. 1:12

³¹Lit., *while departing*
²Lit., *to remain*
^aRom. 15:26 ^bActs 18:19
^c1 Tim. 6:3; Rom. 16:17;
2 Cor. 11:4; Gal. 1:6f.

⁴¹Or, *occupy themselves*
with ²Lit., *the*
administration of God
which

^a1 Tim. 4:7; 2 Tim. 4:4;
Titus 1:14; 2 Pet. 1:16 ^bTitus 3:9 ^c1 Tim. 6:4; 2 Tim. 2:23;
Titus 3:9 ^dEph. 3:2

⁵¹Lit., *commandment*
^a1 Tim. 1:18 ^b2 Tim. 2:22
^c1 Pet. 3:16, 21; 1 Tim. 1:19;
3:9; 2 Tim. 1:3 ^d2 Tim. 1:5

⁶^aTitus 1:10
⁷a James 3:1 ^bLuke 2:46
⁸a Rom. 7:12, 16

⁹a Gal. 5:23 ^bTitus 1:6, 10
^c1 Pet. 4:18; Jude 15 ^d1 Tim. 4:7; 6:20; 2 Tim. 2:16; Heb. 12:16

¹⁰¹Lit., *for* ²Or,
fornicators

^a1 Cor. 6:9 ^bLev. 18:22 ^cEx. 21:16; Rev. 18:13 ^dRev. 21:8;
27; 22:15 ^eMatt. 5:33; 23:16
^f2 Tim. 4:3; Titus 1:9; 2:1;
1 Tim. 4:6; 6:3; 2 Tim. 1:13;
Titus 1:13; 2:2

¹¹^a2 Cor. 4:4 ^b1 Tim. 6:15
^cGal. 2:7

¹²^a1 Tim. 1:1; 2, 15; 2:5;
6:13; Titus 1:4; Gal. 3:26
^bPhil. 4:13; 2 Tim. 4:17; Acts 9:22 ^cActs 9:15

¹³a Acts 8:3; Phil. 3:6
^b1 Tim. 1:16; 1 Cor. 7:25
^cActs 26:9

¹⁴a Rom. 5:20; 2 Cor. 4:15;
1 Cor. 3:10; 1:13-16 ^b2 Tim. 1:13; 1 Thess. 1:3; 1 Tim. 2:15; 4:12; 6:11; 2 Tim. 2:22;
Titus 2:2

¹⁵^a1 Tim. 3:1; 4:9; 2 Tim. 2:11; Titus 3:8 ^bMark 2:17;
Luke 15:2ff.; 19:10 ^cRom. 11:14 ^d1 Cor. 15:9; Eph. 3:8

¹⁶¹Or, *destined to*
^a1 Tim. 1:13; 1 Cor. 7:25
^bEph. 2:7

¹⁷¹Lit., *of the ages* ²Lit.,
the ages of the ages
^aRev. 15:3 [Gr.] ^b1 Tim. 6:16
^cCol. 1:15 ^d1 Tim. 6:15; Jude 25; John 5:44 ^eRom. 11:36;
2:7, 10; Heb. 2:7

¹⁸¹Lit., *child*
^a1 Tim. 1:5 ^b1 Tim. 1:12

18^a 1 Tim. 4:14^b 2 Cor. 10:4; 2 Tim. 2:3f.; 4:7;
1 Tim. 6:12

19^a Lit., *the*
^a1 Tim. 1:5^b 1 Tim. 6:12, 21;
2 Tim. 2:18

20^a Lit., *of*
22 Tim. 2:17^b 2 Tim. 4:14
^c1 Cor. 5:5^d 1 Cor. 11:32;
Heb. 12:5f.

1^a Eph. 6:18

2^a Or, *a high position* ²Or,
seriousness
^aEzra 6:10; Rom. 13:1

3^a 1 Tim. 1:1; Luke 1:47;
1 Tim. 4:10

4^a Or, *recognition*
^aEzek. 18:23, 32; 1 Tim.
4:10; Titus 2:11; 2 Pet. 3:9;
John 3:17^b Rom. 11:14
^c2 Tim. 2:25; 3:7; Titus 1:1;
Heb. 10:26

5^a Rom. 3:30; 10:12;
1 Cor. 8:4^b Gal. 3:20; 1 Cor.
8:6^c Matt. 1:1; Rom. 1:3

6^a Or, to be borne ²Lit., *its*
own times
^aMatt. 20:28; Gal. 1:4
^b1 Cor. 1:6^c 1 Tim. 6:15;
Titus 1:3; Gal. 4:4; Mark
1:15

7^a Or, *herald*
^a2 Tim. 1:11; 1 Tim. 1:11;
Eph. 3:8^b 1 Cor. 9:1^c Rom.
9:1^d Acts 9:15

8^a 1 Tim. 5:14; Phil. 1:12;
Titus 3:8, [in Gr.]^b John
4:21; 1 Cor. 1:2; 2 Cor. 2:14;
1 Thess. 1:8^c Ps. 63:4; Luke
24:50^d Ps. 24:4; James 4:8

9^a Lit., *with modesty*
^a1 Pet. 3:3

11^a 1 Cor. 14:34; Titus 2:5

12^a 1 Cor. 14:34; Titus 2:5

13^a Or, *formed*
^aGen. 2:7, 22; 3:16; 1 Cor.
11:8f.

14^a Gen. 3:6, 13; 2 Cor. 11:3

15^a Lit., *saved* ²Or,
discretion
^a1 Tim. 1:14

1^a Or, *bishop*
^a1 Tim. 1:15^b Acts 20:28;
Phil. 1:1

2^a Lit., *the*
^a1 Tim. 3:2-4; Titus 1:6-8
^bTitus 1:6; Luke 2:36f.;
1 Tim. 5:9^c 1 Tim. 3:11;
Titus 2:2; 1 Tim. 3:8^d Titus
1:8; Rom. 12:13; Heb. 13:2;
1 Pet. 4:9^e 2 Tim. 2:24

3^a Lit., *not*
^aTitus 1:7^b Heb. 13:5;
1 Tim. 6:10; Titus 1:7;
1 Tim. 3:8

4^a 1 Tim. 3:12

5^a 1 Cor. 10:32; 1 Tim.
3:15

accordance with the ^cprophecies previously made concerning you, that by them you may ^dfight the good fight,

19 keeping ^afaith and a good conscience, which some have rejected and suffered shipwreck in regard to ^{1b}their faith.

20 ¹Among these are ^aHymenaeus and ^bAlexander, whom I have ^cdelivered over to Satan, so that they may be ^dtaught not to blaspheme.

CHAPTER 2

FIRST of all, then, I urge that ^aentreaties and prayers, petitions and thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men,

2 ^afor kings and all who are in ¹authority, in order that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and ²dignity.

3 This is good and acceptable in the sight of ^aGod our Savior,

4 ^awho desires all men to be ^bsaved and to ^ccome to the ¹knowledge of the truth.

5 For there is ^aone God, and ^bone mediator also between God and men, *the* ^cman Christ Jesus,

6 who ^agave Himself as a ransom for all, the ^btestimony ¹borne at ^{2c}the proper time.

7 ^aAnd for this I was appointed a ¹preacher and ^{ban}apostle (^cI am telling the truth, I am not lying) as a teacher of ^dthe Gentiles in faith and truth.

8 Therefore ^aI want the men ^{bin}in every place to pray, ^clifting up ^dholy hands, without wrath and dissension.

9 Likewise, *I want* ^awomen to adorn themselves with proper clothing, ¹modestly and discreetly, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly garments;

10 but rather by means of good works, as befits women making a claim to godliness.

11 ^aLet a woman quietly receive instruction with entire submissiveness.

12 ^aBut I do not allow a woman to teach or exercise authority over a man, but to remain quiet.

13 ^aFor it was Adam who was first ¹created, and then Eve.

14 And *it* was not Adam *who* was deceived, but ^athe woman being quite deceived, fell into transgression.

15 But women shall be ¹preserved through the bearing of children if *they* continue in ^afaith and love and sanctity with ²self restraint.

CHAPTER 3

^aIT is a trustworthy statement; if any man aspires to the ^boffice of ¹overseer, it is a fine work he desires *to do*.

2 ^{1a}An overseer, then, must be above reproach, ^bthe husband of one wife, ^ctemperate, prudent, respectable, ^dhospitable, ^eable to teach,

3 ^anot addicted to wine ^{1or}pugnacious, but gentle, uncontentious, ^bfree from the love of money.

4 *He must be* one who ^amanages his own household well, keeping his children under control with all dignity

5 (but if a man does not know how to manage his own household, how will he take care of ^athe church of God?);

6 *and* not a new convert, lest he become ^aconceited and fall into the ^bcondemnation ¹incurred by the devil.

7 And he must ^ahave a good reputation with ^bthose outside *the church*, so that he may not fall into reproach and ^cthe snare of the devil.

8 ^aDeacons likewise *must be* men of dignity, not ¹double-tongued, ^{2b}or addicted to much wine ^{2c}or fond of sordid gain,

9 ^abut holding to the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience.

10 And ^alet these also first be tested; then let them serve as deacons if they are beyond reproach.

11 ¹Women *must* likewise *be* dignified, ^anot malicious gossips, but ^btemperate, faithful in all things.

12 Let ^adeacons be ^bhusbands of *only* one wife, *and* ^{1c}good managers of *their* children and their own households.

13 For those who have served well as deacons ^aobtain for themselves a ¹high standing and great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.

14 I am writing these things to you, hoping to come to you before long;

15 but ¹in case I am delayed, *I write* so that you may know how ²one ought to conduct himself in ^athe household of God, which is the ^bchurch of ^cthe living God, the ^dpillar and support of the truth.

16 And by common confession great is ^athe mystery of godliness:

¹He who was ^brevealed in the flesh,
Was ^{2c}vindicated ³in the Spirit,
^dBeheld by angels,
^eProclaimed among the nations,
^fBelieved on in the world,
^gTaken up in glory.

CHAPTER 4

BUT ^athe Spirit explicitly says that ^bin later times some will fall away from the faith, paying attention to ^cdeceitful spirits and ^ddoctrines of demons,

2 by means of the hypocrisy of liars ^aseared in their own conscience as with a branding iron,

3 *men* who ^aforbid marriage *and* *advocate* ^babstaining from foods, which ^cGod has created to be ^dgratefully shared in by those who believe and know the truth.

4 For ^aeverything created by God is good, and nothing is to be rejected, if it is ^breceived with gratitude:

5 for it is sanctified by means of ^athe word of God and prayer.

6 In pointing out these things to ^athe brethren, you will be a good ^bservant of Christ Jesus, *constantly* nourished on the words of the faith and of the ^{1c}sound doctrine which you ^dhave been following.

7 But have nothing to do with ^aworldly ^bfables fit only for old women. On the other hand, discipline yourself for the purpose of ^cgodliness;

8 for ^abodily discipline is only little profit, but ^bgodliness

6 ¹Lit., *of the devil*

^{a1} Tim. 6:4; 2 Tim. 3:4

^{b1} Tim. 3:7

7 ^{a2} Cor. 8:21 ^bMark 4:11

^{c2} Tim. 2:26; 1 Tim. 6:9

8 ¹Or, *given to double-talk* ²Lit., *not*

^aPhil. 1:1; 1 Tim. 3:12 ^bTitus 2:3; 1 Tim. 5:23 ^cTitus 1:7;

1 Tim. 3:3; 1 Pet. 5:2

9 ^{a1} Tim. 1:19; 1 Tim. 1:5

10 ^{a1} Tim. 5:22

11 ¹I.e., either deacons' wives or deaconesses

^{a2} Tim. 3:3; Titus 2:3

^{b1} Tim. 3:2

12 ¹Lit., *managing well*

^aPhil. 1:1; 1 Tim. 3:8 ^{b1} Tim. 3:2 ^{c1} Tim. 3:4

13 ¹Lit., *good*

^aMatt. 25:21

15 ¹Lit., *if I delay* ²Or, *you ought to conduct yourself*

^aEph. 2:21f.; 1 Cor. 3:16;

2 Cor. 6:16; 1 Pet. 2:5; 4:17

^{b1} Tim. 3:5 ^aMatt. 16:16;

1 Tim. 4:10 ^aGal. 2:9; 2 Tim. 2:19

16 ¹Some later mss. read, *God* ²Or, *justified* ³Or, *by*

^aRom. 16:25 ^bJohn 1:14;

1 Pet. 1:20; 1 John 3:5, 8

^cRom. 3:4 ^dLuke 2:13; 24:4;

1 Pet. 1:12 ^aRom. 16:26;

2 Cor. 1:19; Col. 1:23

^{f2} Thess. 1:10 ^aMark 16:19;

Acts 1:9

1 ^aJohn 16:13; Acts 20:23; 21:11; 1 Cor. 2:10f. ^{b2} Thess. 2:3ff.; 2 Tim. 3:1; 2 Pet. 3:3; Jude 18 ^{c1} John 4:6 ^dJames 3:15

2 ^aEph. 4:19

3 ^aHeb. 13:4 ^bCol. 2:16;

2:23 ^aGen. 1:29; 9:3 ^{a1} Tim. 4:4; Rom. 14:6; 1 Cor.

10:30f.

4 ^{a1} Cor. 10:26 ^{b1} Tim. 4:3; Rom. 14:6; 1 Cor.

10:30f.

5 ^aGen. 1:25, 31; Heb. 11:3

6 ¹Lit., *good*

^aActs 1:15 ^{b2} 2 Cor. 11:23

^{c1} Tim. 1:10 ^dLuke 1:3 [Cr.];

2 Tim. 3:10; Phil. 2:20, 22

7 ^{a1} Tim. 1:9 ^{b1} Tim. 1:4

^{c1} Tim. 4:8; 6:3, 5f.; 2 Tim. 3:5

8 ^aCol. 2:23 ^{b1} Tim. 4:7;

6:3, 5f.; 2 Tim. 3:5

8 ^aPs. 37:9, 11; Prov. 19:23;
22:4; Matt. 6:33 ^aMatt.
12:32; 6:33; Mark 10:30

9 ^a1 Tim. 1:15

10 ^a2 Cor. 3:10; 1 Tim. 6:17
^b1 Tim. 3:15 ^c1 Tim. 2:4;
John 4:42

11 ¹Or, *Keep commanding
and teaching*
^a1 Tim. 5:7; 6:2

12 ¹Or, *to*
^a1 Cor. 16:11; Titus 2:15
^b1 Tim. 1:14 ^cTitus 2:7;
1 Pet. 5:3

13 ^a1 Tim. 3:14 ^b2 Tim.
3:15ff.

14 ¹Or else, *board of elders*
^a1 Tim. 1:18 ^b1 Tim. 5:22;
2 Tim. 1:6; Acts 6:6 ^c[in Gr.]
Acts 11:30

16 ¹Lit., *save both yourself
and those*
^aActs 20:28 ^b1 Cor. 1:21

1 ^aLev. 19:32 ^bTitus 2:2
^cTitus 2:6

3 ^a1 Tim. 5:5, 16; Acts 6:1;
9:39, 41

4 ¹Lit., *give back
recompenses*
^aEph. 6:2 ^b1 Tim. 2:3

5 ^a1 Tim. 5:3, 16; Acts 6:1;
9:39, 41 ^b1 Pet. 3:5; 1 Cor.
7:34 ^cLuke 2:37; 1 Tim. 2:1;
2 Tim. 1:3

6 ^aJames 5:5 ^bRev. 3:1;
Luke 15:24; 2 Tim. 3:6

7 ¹Or, *Keep commanding*
^a1 Tim. 4:11

8 ^a2 Tim. 2:12; Titus 1:16;
2 Pet. 2:1; Jude 4

9 ^a1 Tim. 5:16 ^b1 Tim. 3:2

10 ¹I.e., true believers; lit.,
holy ones
^aActs 9:36; 1 Tim. 6:18;
1 Pet. 2:12; Titus 2:7; 3:8
^b1 Tim. 3:2 ^cLuke 7:44; John
13:14 ^d1 Tim. 5:16

11 ^aRev. 18:7

12 ¹Lit., *faith*

is profitable for all things, since it ^cholds promise for the ^dpresent life and *also* for the *life* to come.

9 ^aIt is a trustworthy statement deserving full acceptance.

10 For it is for this we labor and strive, because we have fixed ^aour hope on ^bthe living God, who is ^cthe Savior of all men, especially of believers.

11 ^{1a}Prescribe and teach these things.

12 ^aLet no one look down on your youthfulness, but *rather* in speech, conduct, ^blove, faith *and* purity, show yourself ^can example ¹of those who believe.

13 ^aUntil I come, give attention to the *public* ^breading of *Scripture*, to exhortation and teaching.

14 Do not neglect the spiritual gift within you, which was bestowed upon you through ^aprophetic utterance with ^bthe laying on of hands by the ^{1c}presbytery.

15 Take pains with these things; be *absorbed* in them, so that your progress may be evident to all.

16 ^aPay close attention to yourself and to your teaching; persevere in these things; for as you do this you will ^{1b}insure salvation both for yourself and for those who hear you.

CHAPTER 5

^aDO not sharply rebuke an ^bbolder man, *but rather* appeal to him as a father; ^cthe younger men as brothers,

2 the older women as mothers, *and* the younger women as sisters, in all purity.

3 Honor widows who are ^awidows indeed;

4 but if any widow has children or grandchildren, ^alet them first learn to practice piety in regard to their own family, and to ¹make some return to their parents; for this is ^bacceptable in the sight of God.

5 Now she who is a ^awidow indeed and who has been left alone ^bhas fixed her hope on God, and continues in ^centreaties and prayers night and day.

6 But she who ^agives herself to wanton pleasure is ^bdead even while she lives.

7 ^{1a}Prescribe these things as well, so that they may be above reproach.

8 But if any one does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has ^adenied the faith, and is worse than an unbeliever.

9 Let a widow be ^aput on the list only if she is not less than sixty years old, *having been* ^bthe wife of one man,

10 having a reputation for ^agood works; *and* if she has brought up children, if she has ^bshown hospitality to strangers, if she ^chas washed the ¹saints' feet, if she has ^dassisted those in distress, *and* if she has devoted herself to every good work.

11 But refuse *to put* younger widows *on the list*, for when they feel ^asensual desires in disregard of Christ, they want to get married,

12 *thus* incurring condemnation, because they have set aside their previous ¹pledge.

13 And at the same time they also learn *to be* idle, as they go around from house to house; and not merely idle, but also

^agossips and ^bbusybodies, talking about ^cthings not proper to mention.

14 Therefore, ^aI want younger widows to get ^bmarried, bear children, ^ckeep house, and ^dgive the enemy no occasion for reproach;

15 for some ^ahave already turned aside to follow ^bSatan.

16 If any woman who is a believer ^ahas *dependent* widows, let her ^bassist them, and let not the church be burdened, so that it may assist those who are ^cwidows indeed.

17 Let ^athe elders who ^brule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who ^cwork hard ¹at preaching and teaching.

18 For the Scripture says, “^aYOU SHALL NOT MUZZLE THE OX WHILE HE IS THRESHING,” and “^bThe laborer is worthy of his wages.”

19 Do not receive an accusation against an ^aelder except on the basis of ^btwo or three witnesses.

20 Those who continue in sin, ^arebuken in the presence of all, ^bso that the rest also may be fearful of *sinning*.

21 ^aI solemnly charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus and of *His* chosen angels, to maintain these *principles* without bias, doing nothing in a *spirit* of partiality.

22 ^aDo not lay hands upon any one *too* hastily and ¹thus share *responsibility* for the sins of others; keep yourself ²free from sin.

23 No longer drink water *exclusively*, but ^ause a little wine for the sake of your stomach and your frequent ailments.

24 The sins of some men are quite evident, going before them to judgment; for others, their *sins* ^afollow after.

25 Likewise also, deeds that are good are quite evident, and ^athose which are otherwise cannot be concealed.

^a CHAPTER 6

LET all who are under the yoke as slaves regard their own masters as worthy of all honor so ^bthat the name of God and *our* doctrine may not be spoken against.

2 And let those who have believers as their masters not be disrespectful to them because they are ^abrethren, but let them serve them all the more, because those who ¹partake of the benefit are believers and beloved. ^bTeach and ²preach these *principles*.

3 If any one ^aadvocates a different doctrine, and does not ¹agree with ^bsound words, those of our Lord Jesus Christ, and with the doctrine ^cconforming to godliness,

4 he is ^aconceived *and* understands nothing; but he ¹has a morbid interest in ^bcontroversial questions and ^cdisputes about words, out of which arise envy, strife, abusive language, evil suspicions,

5 and constant friction between ^amen of depraved mind and deprived of the truth, who ^bsuppose that ¹godliness is a means of gain.

6 ^aBut godliness *actually* is a means of ^bgreat gain, when accompanied by ^ccontentment.

7 For ^awe have brought nothing into the world, ¹so we cannot take anything out of it either.

¹³ ^{a3} John 10 [Gr.]
^{b2} Thess. 3:11 ^c Titus 1:11

¹⁴ ^{a1} Tim. 2:8 ^{b1} Cor. 7:9;
¹ Tim. 4:3 ^c Titus 2:5 ^{d1} Tim. 6:1

¹⁵ ^{a1} Tim. 1:20 ^b Matt. 4:10

¹⁶ ^{a1} Tim. 5:4 ^{b1} Tim. 5:10
^{c1} Tim. 5:3

¹⁷ ¹ Lit., in word
^a Acts 11:30; ¹ Tim. 5:19;
4:14 [Gr.] ^b Rom. 12:8
^{c1} Thess. 5:12

¹⁸ ^a Deut. 25:4; ¹ Cor. 9:9
^b Matt. 10:10; Luke 10:7;
¹ Cor. 9:14; Lev. 19:13;
Deut. 24:15

¹⁹ ^a Acts 11:30; ¹ Tim. 5:17;
4:14 [Gr.] ^b Matt. 18:16

²⁰ ^a Eph. 5:11; Gal. 2:14;
² Tim. 4:2 ^{b2} Cor. 7:11

²¹ ^{a1} Tim. 6:13; ² Tim. 4:1;
² 14; Luke 9:26

²² ¹ Lit., do not share ² Lit.,
pure
^{a1} ¹ Tim. 4:14; ³ 10 ^b Eph.
5:11; ¹ Tim. 3:2-7

²³ ^{a1} Tim. 3:8

²⁴ ^a Rev. 14:13

²⁵ ^a Prov. 10:9

¹ ^a Titus 2:9; ¹ Pet. 2:18;
Eph. 6:5 ^b Titus 2:5

² ¹ Or, benefit by their
service ² Lit., exhort, urge
^a Acts 1:15; Gal. 3:28;
Philem. 16 ^{b1} ¹ Tim. 4:11

³ ¹ Lit., come to, or, come
with
^{a1} ¹ Tim. 1:3 ^{b1} ¹ Tim. 1:10
^c Titus 1:1

⁴ ¹ Lit., is sick about
^{a1} ¹ Tim. 3:6 ^{b1} ¹ Tim. 1:4 ^{c2}
¹ Tim. 2:14; Acts 18:15

⁵ ¹ Or, religion
^{a2} ¹ Tim. 3:8; Titus 1:15
^b Titus 1:11; ² Pet. 2:3

⁶ ^{a1} ¹ Tim. 6:6-10; Luke
12:15-21 ^{b1} ¹ Tim. 4:8 ^c Phil.
4:11; Heb. 13:5

⁷ ¹ Later mss. read, it is
clear that
^a Job 1:21; Eccl. 5:15

8 ^aProv. 30:8

9 ^aProv. 15:27; 23:4; 28:20;
1 Tim. 6:17; Luke 12:21
^b1 Tim. 3:7

10 ¹Lit., *the evils*
^a1 Tim. 6:9; 3:3; Col. 3:5
^bRom. 11:16ff. ^cJames 5:19

11 ¹Or, *steadfastness*
^a2 Tim. 2:22 ^b2 Tim. 3:17
^c1 Tim. 1:14 ^d2 Tim. 3:10

12 ¹1 Cor. 9:25f.; Phil. 1:30;
1 Tim. 1:18 ^b1 Tim. 1:19
3:12; 1 Tim. 6:19 ^dCol.
3:15 ^e2 Cor. 9:13; 1 Tim.
6:13 ^f2 Tim. 2:2; 1 Tim. 4:14

13 ¹Or, *preserves alive*
^a1 Tim. 5:21 ^b1 Tim. 1:12,
15; 2:5; Gal. 3:26 ^c2 Cor.
9:13; 1 Tim. 6:12 ^dJohn
18:37; Matt. 27:2

14 ^a2 Thess. 2:8

15 ¹Lit., *show* ²Lit., *those
who reign as kings* ³Lit.,
those who rule as lords
^a1 Tim. 2:6 ^b1 Tim. 1:11
^c1 Tim. 1:17 ^dRev. 19:16;
17:14; Deut. 10:17 ^ePs. 136:3

16 ^a1 Tim. 1:17 ^bPs. 104:2;
1 John 1:5; James 1:17 ^cJohn
1:18 ^d1 Tim. 1:17

17 ^a2 Tim. 4:10; Titus 2:12;
Matt. 12:32 ^bPs. 62:10; Luke
12:20; 1 Tim. 6:9; Rom.
11:20 ^c1 Tim. 4:10 ^dActs
14:17

18 ¹Or, *deeds*
^a1 Tim. 5:10 ^bRom. 12:8;
Eph. 4:28

19 ^aMatt. 6:20 ^b1 Tim. 6:12

20 ^a1 Tim. 1:2 ^b2 Tim. 1:12,
14 ^c2 Tim. 2:16; 1 Tim. 1:9

21 ¹Lit., *concerning*
^a2 Tim. 2:18 ^b1 Tim. 1:19
^cCol. 4:18

8 And if we ^ahave food and covering, with these we shall be content.

9 ^aBut those who want to get rich fall into temptation and ^ba snare and many foolish and harmful desires which plunge men into ruin and destruction.

10 For ^athe love of money is ^aa broot of all ¹sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have ^cwandered away from the faith, and pierced themselves with many a pang.

11 But ^aflee from these things, you ^bman of God; and pursue after righteousness, godliness, ^cfaith, ^dlove, ¹perseverance and gentleness.

12 ^aFight the good fight of ^bfaith; ^ctake hold of the eternal life ^dto which you were called, and you made the good ^cconfession in the presence of ^fmany witnesses.

13 ^aI charge you in the presence of God, who ¹gives life to all things, and of ^bChrist Jesus, who testified the ^cgood confession ^dbefore Pontius Pilate;

14 that you keep the commandment without stain or reproach, until the ^aappearing of our Lord Jesus Christ,

15 which He will ¹bring about at ^athe proper time—He who is ^bthe blessed and ^conly Sovereign, ^dthe King of ²kings and ^eLord of ³lords;

16 ^awho alone possesses immortality and ^bdwells in unapproachable light; ^cwhom no man has seen or can see. ^dTo Him be honor and eternal dominion! Amen.

17 Instruct those who are rich in ^athis present world ^bnot to be conceited or to ^cfix their hope on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, ^dwho richly supplies us with all things to enjoy.

18 *Instruct them* to do good, to be rich in ^agood ¹works, ^bto be generous and ready to share,

19 ^astoring up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may ^btake hold of that which is life indeed.

20 O ^aTimothy, guard ^bwhat has been entrusted to you, avoiding ^cworldly and empty chatter and the opposing arguments of what is falsely called 'knowledge'—

21 which some have professed and thus ^agone astray ¹from ^bthe faith.

^cGrace be with you.