

# The First Epistle of Paul the Apostle to TIMOTHY

**I**T ends in love, but where did it start?  
It started with a ship that was shipwrecked.

**A blasphemer, persecutor, injurious,  
But love brought the ship back in check.  
Love became the end of the law for me;  
No longer lawless and ungodly,  
I was chief of all sinners; Christ rescued me.**

**It ended in... Now wage a good warfare, for it ended in love.**

## 1 TIMOTHY 1

<sup>1</sup>Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the commandment of God, our Savior and the Lord Jesus Christ who is our hope,

<sup>2</sup>unto Timothy my own son in the faith; Grace, peace and mercy from God our Father, and from Jesus Christ our Lord.

<sup>3</sup>I desired of you that you remain at Ephesus, when I went into Macedonia, That you might charge some that they teach no other doctrine,

<sup>4</sup>neither give heed to fables and endless genealogies which causes debate; rather, give attention to godly edifying which is in faith,

<sup>5</sup>And I say now to you, the fulfillment of the commandment is love out of a pure heart and a good conscience.

<sup>6</sup>And also of unwavering faith, from which some having shifted, have turned aside to idle talk;

<sup>7</sup>they desire to be teachers of the law, yet they neither understand what they say nor what they affirm.

<sup>8</sup>But we know that the law is good if it is used lawfully;

<sup>9</sup>for we know that the law is not made for a righteous person, but for the lawless and disobedient, for sinners, for the ungodly, unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and mothers, and for murderers of men,

<sup>10</sup>for those who do business with prostitutes, for homosexuals, for abductors, for liars and those who commit perjury, and if there is any other thing contrary to sound doctrine,

<sup>11</sup>according to the glorious gospel of the blessed God committed to my trust.

<sup>12</sup>And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has counted me faithful and therefore has enabled me, by putting me in the ministry,

<sup>13</sup>although I was a blasphemer before, and a persecutor and I caused injury, but I obtained mercy because I did it igno-

rantly in unbelief;

<sup>14</sup>but the grace of our Lord was exceedingly abundant with faith and love which is in Christ Jesus, the Son of God.

<sup>15</sup>This is a faithful saying and worthy to be accepted by all, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I was the chief.

<sup>16</sup>However, for this reason I obtained mercy, that Jesus Christ might show forth in me first, all long-suffering, as a pattern to those who would hereafter believe on Him for everlasting life.

<sup>17</sup>Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honor and glory, forever and ever. Amen.

<sup>18</sup>Son Timothy, this charge I commit to you according to the prophecy that went before you,

that you might war a good warfare,

<sup>19</sup>holding faith and a good conscience, which some having diverted from, concerning the faith, have caused a wreckage;

<sup>20</sup>Of whom are Hymenaeus and Alexander, whom I have delivered unto Satan that they may learn not to blaspheme.

## CWDS Bible Quotes

- 1. If the doctrine causes dispute, it is of no use; if it does not edify it is not worthwhile; if it is not worthy of eternity, it is not worthy of time.*
- 2. The letter of the commandment is intellectual damage; the spirit of the commandment is effectual love from a pure heart with a free conscience and sincere faith.*
- 3. The value of every good thing is subject to its proper use; you make the good bad by the bad use of the good.*
- 4. The righteous does not live above the law; they live in right standing with the law because their standards are high above the law.*
- 5. The law polices those who are devious, defiant, and has a tendency for law-breaking; love polices those who live by the law of righteousness.*
- 6. Ministry is a blessing not a burden; sin ministers the burden of death that you live under until it takes you fully.*
- 7. You can never fully understand the weight of sin until you experience the ministry of life and you are graced with the privilege of ministering the gift of life.*
- 8. In Paul, you are given a pattern of all types of suffering and the expression of patience in suffering, which is long-suffering; for who needs a pattern if they are not expected to experience the product.*
- 9. God is a Spirit and He lives eternally in eternity; He cannot die, so undying love, commitment, honor and glory eternally belongs to Him.*
- 10. God is wisdom; He possesses all wisdom and is*

*the only source of wisdom; wisdom begins and ends with Him.*

11. *Praise withheld is plagues released and blessings restrained.*
12. *The Christian walk is a personal battlefield; therefore you fight for and fight with, win for and win with, Jesus.*
13. *Fight with wisdom, spiritual guidance, proper covering and obedience to the word of God, to ensure you are named among the heroes of faith having fought a good fight and waged a good warfare.*

### PRAYER POINTS

- Most High God, give me the wisdom to choose the engagement and use of my time well, in the name of Jesus.
- Spirit of understanding in the knowledge of God, empower believers today, in the name of Jesus.
- Righteous Lord, help me to understand what you desire of me in the reading of Your word. Amen.
- King of kings, I submit myself to Your laws and give myself to the law of righteousness. Amen.
- By the power in the blood of Jesus, I will love You Father with all my heart and with my very being, and I will love my neighbor as myself. Amen.

**PRAY, pray, pray for the unbelieving, Pray, pray, with lifted hands interceding. Giving thanks for all men you must pray. Pray for kings and those in authority, So to lead a quiet life, peaceful and godly. There is one God and one mediator, and it is His will, For He desires that all men be saved and that men everywhere would pray all ways.**

### 1 TIMOTHY 2

<sup>1</sup>I exhort therefore, that first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions and giving of thanks be made for every man,  
<sup>2</sup>for kings, and for all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceful life in all godliness and honesty,  
<sup>3</sup>for this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior  
<sup>4</sup>who will have all men to be saved and to come, also, unto the knowledge of the truth.  
<sup>5</sup>For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus,  
<sup>6</sup>who gave Himself as a ransom for all, to be testified in due time,  
<sup>7</sup>unto which I am ordained a preacher and an apostle.  
 I speak the truth in Christ and do not lie; I am a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.  
<sup>8</sup>I desire therefore that men pray, pray, pray; pray everywhere, in every place, lifting up holy hands without wrath or doubt;  
<sup>9</sup>in like manner, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with decency and moderation,

not with braided hair, gold or pearls or costly clothing,

<sup>10</sup>but that which is appropriate for women of God, with good works.

<sup>11</sup>Let the women learn in silence with all subjection.

<sup>12</sup>But I do not permit a woman to teach, or to exert authority over man, but to be in silence.

<sup>13</sup>For Adam was first formed, then was Eve.

<sup>14</sup>And Adam himself was not deceived, but the woman being deceived, fell into transgression.

<sup>15</sup>Nevertheless, she shall be saved in child-bearing if she continues in love, self-restraint, holiness and faith.

### CWDS Bible Quotes

1. *Giving thanks is a necessary prayer tool, for appreciation elevates reception and accelerates release.*
2. *Giving of thanks is a necessary intercessory tool, for the giving of thanks is advance receipt, by faith, of your intercessory request for others.*
3. *The church on its knees directs, rather than worry in distress; a church of prayer is a church of power.*
4. *You are never short of things to pray for, for when you finish praying for the short list you pray for, you may begin praying with every type of prayer, supplication and giving of thanks, for all people, everywhere.*
5. *You may not agree with authority but you must align with authority so that your life under their leadership will be peaceable and agreeable and their assignment to you will not be aborted.*
6. *The cross covers completely: the good, the bad, the different, the deviant, the wicked, the worthless, the worthy, the compassionate, the hard-hearted, the hearty, and the heartless.*
7. *The extent of the price of the cross portrays His intent that no one will be lost.*
8. *Where your spirit cannot agree with them, get on your knees in the Spirit for them; when your will would be to do away with them, surrender to His will and pray for them.*
9. *There are many things that come between human relationship, and there is sin which comes between God and man; Jesus nullified sin to reconcile man with God and in so doing with man.*
10. *Jesus settled everything in the cross to reduce sin to nothing and to build a bridge of faith between man and God.*
11. *Praying men are powerful men. Men in surrender who lifts up holy hands are men insurmountable against whom nothing can stand.*
12. *A woman's values are not in her valuables but in the integrity of her variables, or otherwise, in her invariable character.*
13. *Moderation and modesty does not make your relationship with God and others, but it manages it.*
14. *As our faith progresses we possess a greater appreciation for the faithful gifts of God deposited in each other.*
15. *It is not the gold that you put on display that matters, but the gold in your heart that puts you on display; it is best to have a golden heart than to have a band of gold with golden harps.*

### PRAYER POINTS

- I thank You Father, that in this moment deaf ears

are being opened, the blind are seeing and sinners everywhere are receiving the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

- Power to pray incessantly, rise within the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.
- I receive the grace of the fullness of living and breathing praying speaking spirit upon every believer; Lord Jesus, let the compulsion of love fill our hearts continuously. Amen.
- Understanding of the spiritual significance of honor, fall upon believers today, especially on the disoriented. Amen.
- I refuse to uncover or to get emotional with anything the cross covers, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

**T**HE mystery of godliness has been revealed.  
**And bishops, your life should be no mystery;  
 Vigilant and sober, your behavior good;  
 not contentious, not greedy and be patient also,  
 Blameless and conscious, the husband of one wife  
 Who should be a woman of good report in the mystery of Christ.**

### 1 TIMOTHY 3

<sup>1</sup>This is a true saying: "If a man desires to have the office of a bishop, he desires a good job."

<sup>2</sup>A bishop must be blameless, the husband of one wife, dedicated, sober-minded, of good behaviour, given to hospitality,

<sup>3</sup>not given to wine, apt to teach, not contentious, not greedy for filthy wealth, patient, not a brawler, not covetous;

<sup>4</sup>one who rules his own household well, having his children in subjection with all honor,

<sup>5</sup>(for if a man does not know how to rule his own household, how then shall he take care of the church of God?)

<sup>6</sup>not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he falls into the condemnation of the devil.

<sup>7</sup>Moreover, he must have a good report of those who are outside, lest he falls into reproach and the snare of the devil.

<sup>8</sup>Deacons must also be reverent, not double-tongued, not given to wine, Not greedy for filthy riches,

<sup>9</sup>holding the mystery of the faith with a pure conscience.

<sup>10</sup>And also now, let these be first proven, then being found blameless, let them serve in the office of deacon.

<sup>11</sup>In a similar manner, their wives be reverent, not slanderers, but sober and faithful in all things.

<sup>12</sup>Let the deacons be the husband of one wife, ruling their children and their own houses well.

<sup>13</sup>For those who conduct themselves properly in the office of deacon, have purchased to themselves a good reputation, and great boldness in the faith, which is in Christ Jesus.

<sup>14</sup>These things I write to you, hoping to come to you shortly,

<sup>15</sup>but also that if I delay long, you may know just how to behave in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

<sup>16</sup>And without controversy, great is the mystery of godliness:

God was manifested in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen by angels, preached to the Gentiles, believed on in the world and received up in glory.

### CWDS Bible Quotes

1. *The office of bishop is a good work that should be desired by those of proven worth that qualifies them for the office.*
2. *A bishop should be distinguished in character, capability, personal and family life, testament and temperament.*
3. *The first platform for ministry is the family; it is the present personal pulpit for the demonstration of charisma, character, compassion, care and consistency.*
4. *A bishop is not just distinguished among those he ministers to, but also those he lives among; his character is observed beyond the walls of the church and ministers to both believers and unbelievers.*
5. *Deacons are distinguished by character, not just by service; they are expected to demonstrate integrity, humility, faithfulness self-control and a good family life.*
6. *Deacons are accredited with good-standing and empowered with boldness in the faith, for service.*
7. *The pillar, framework and foundation of the church of God, is truth; the church is built on truth and integrity; it agitates against and breaks every deception and lie.*
8. *The determination of truth defeats the gates of hell since the devil can only stand on a lie.*
9. *The mystery of God becoming flesh, merging eternity and time, to be seen, preached and believed in time, then received up on high in eternity, still marvels the mind.*
10. *Godliness, locked in a nation and released to the world through Jesus who was a free exalted Spirit in heaven but bound and crucified in the flesh on earth, is still a mouthful hard to perceive or to digest.*

### PRAYER POINTS

- By the Holy Spirit and fire, I stir up faith within believers to desire and pursue the highest office in ministry. Amen.
- Grace to live a life of distinction, fall upon the clergy, in the name of Jesus.
- Power to balance the family and public ministry without losing focus of either, fall upon ministers today; I speak angelic fire on every spirit from hell attacking the families of ministers. Amen.
- Spirit of the Living God, make us all like Christ, in

walk, in talk and in effectiveness. Amen.

- I speak righteousness into the hearts of every ministry pillars; let them be solid support for those they follow, in the name of Jesus.

**PUMP it up, get it going,  
And the profit you will see.  
Eat right, exercise,  
gives you health and a good feel.  
But that is good for this life only;  
How about the life to come?  
Pump it up, let us be godly;  
It is no time to be weary now.**

#### 1 TIMOTHY 4

<sup>1</sup>Now the Spirit speaks expressly that in the latter days some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils;

<sup>2</sup>they will speak lies in hypocrisy, having their conscience seared with a hot iron, <sup>3</sup>forbidding to marry and to abstain from meat which God has created and placed here, to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth.

<sup>4</sup>For every creature created of God is good, and nothing is to be refused if it is received with thanksgiving,

<sup>5</sup>for it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer.

<sup>6</sup>Now if you remind the brethren of these things, you shall be good ministers of Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and good doctrine unto which you have attained.

<sup>7</sup>But refuse profane and old wives' fables and exercise yourself in godliness.

<sup>8</sup>For bodily exercise does profit a little, but godliness is profitable unto all things, for it has the promise of the life that is to come and also the life here that now exist.

*So exercise for the body of flesh and live godly for the body of Christ;*

<sup>9</sup>This is a faithful saying that is worthy to be accepted by everyone.

<sup>10</sup>For this reason we both labor and suffer reproach because of our exercise of faith in living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe.

<sup>11</sup>These things command and teach.

*Exercise and keep it pressing;*

<sup>12</sup>Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers *in the godly exercise:*

in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith and in purity.

<sup>13</sup>Until I come, give attention to reading, to exhortation and to doctrine.

<sup>14</sup>Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy and with the laying on of hands by the eldership. Give yourself unreservedly to these things.

<sup>15</sup>Meditate on them that your progress may be evident to everyone.

<sup>16</sup>Take heed to yourself and to the doctrine;

*continue exercising in them as you progress, for in doing this, you shall save yourself, and those who hear you.*

#### CWDS Bible Quotes

1. *When the Holy Spirit speaks with more than an impression but an expression, it is unquestionable and without doubt.*
2. *Imposition of human rules on the church, to include, food and marriage restrictions that cause believers to pursue righteousness by works instead of faith, are doctrine of devils, seducing spirits and the heartless acts of men.*
3. *A seared conscience is demonic heartlessness that puts personal will and vindictiveness above the hurt it causes, and the harm and damage to people's lives, hope and destiny.*
4. *The argument of food is settled by the attitude with which it is received and the faith that is released to receive it.*
5. *It is all good if you make it all God's; receive it with thanksgiving, sanctify it by the word of God and forget about the detractors and those who are grieved by the food you eat.*
6. *Doctrine is not diluted to suit the crowd; it is delivered consistently even among the diverse and the deviant. This is good ministry, consistent and faithful to the Word of God.*
7. *Fables may be famous but they are unfavorable to faith; faith requires exercise to achieve fitness; faith without exercise or expression falters.*
8. *Exercise is profitable and should be pursued: physical exercise profits the body and attains the promise of health and fitness; spiritual exercise profits in all areas at all times and attains the promise of life, both now and eternal.*
9. *Your faith in the living God commands your labor with Him, but commits you to suffer reproach for Him.*
10. *There is no youth in the anointing since the anointing is much older than days, if they despise your ministry because of your age they despise the anointing on you.*
11. *It is not your remonstrance that validates you but your demonstration; your word, your faith, your conduct, your spirit, your love and your purity writes the perfect introduction and conclusion.*
12. *Since you are not the repository of all knowledge, you give your attention to reading so you may benefit from the deposits in others.*
13. *Exhortation edifies believers but will never exclude the one who exhorts.*
14. *There are some gifts you are born with that are stirred up by the laying on of hands, and some gifts are imparted by prophecy and laying on of hands; all gifts, however given, must be received and worked for them to work for and through you.*
15. *A neglected gift does not affect its value it negates it. Neglecting destroys the ability of the gift to affect, impact and effect.*
16. *Be deliberate about your destiny and developing your gifts; meditate in them; give your time, your thoughts, your mind, yourself to them, and it will become evident to everyone; success cannot evade you.*

#### PRAYER POINTS

- Holy Spirit, let Your voice to believers be express and with all clarity. Amen.
- Righteous Father, I pray that the church be free

of religion and be bound to Your heart, in the name of Jesus.

- Holy Father, let Your fire burn personal agenda from the hearts of believers. We submit to You Only. Amen.
- We thank You Father for all Your good and gracious provision; Your word is the food of our souls. Amen.
- Thank You Holy Father for Your gracious provision daily; My life is in You only. Amen.

### **TAKING care of others?**

**My commendations; you are doing well.**

**But if you neglect your own household,**

**you are worse than an infidel.**

**Are you busy feeding the poor?**

**Winning lost souls and making sick whole?**

**Treading the grain, for the harvest is white?**

**Doing well, but check yourselves,**

**Is your elder doing fine?**

#### 1 TIMOTHY 5

<sup>1</sup>Do not rebuke an elder, but entreat him as a father and the younger men as brothers,

<sup>2</sup>the older women as mothers, the younger women, as sisters, with all purity.

<sup>3</sup>Honor widows who are truly widows.

<sup>4</sup>If any widow has children or grandchildren, let them learn first to show faithfulness at home, and to their parents return, for that is right and acceptable before God above.

<sup>5</sup>Now the woman who is truly a widow and is desolate, trust in God

and continue night and day in supplication and prayers;

<sup>6</sup>but she who lives in pleasure, is dead while she lives.

<sup>7</sup>Give charge in these things that they may be blameless.

<sup>8</sup>And if any does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his own house, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

<sup>9</sup>And let a widow be considered a widow, if she is at least sixty years old and has been the wife of one man alone,

<sup>10</sup>well reported of for her good works:

if she has lodged strangers, if she has brought up children,

if she has washed the saints' feet, if she has relieved the afflicted,

if she has followed every good work diligently.

<sup>11</sup>But refuse the younger widows;

for when their desire becomes strong and contrary, they will get married,

<sup>12</sup>having condemnation, because they have cast off their first faith.

<sup>13</sup>And besides this, they will learn to be idle, wandering about from house to house and not only idle, but gossipers and busybodies, speaking things they ought not to.

<sup>14</sup>My desire therefore, is that the younger women marry, bear children and manage their own house, giving no opportunity to the adversary to

speak reproachfully.

<sup>15</sup>For some have already turned aside after Satan.

<sup>16</sup>If any believer has a widow in their family, let them relieve and assist her so that the church is not burdened, and that the church is free to assist those who are truly widows.

<sup>17</sup>Let the elders who rule well be counted worthy of double honor, and especially those who labor in the word and in doctrine;

<sup>18</sup>for the Scripture says, "You shall not muzzle the ox that treads the grain,

and also, "The laborer is worthy of his wages."

<sup>19</sup>Do not receive any accusation against an elder unless there are two or three witnesses.

<sup>20</sup>And those who sin, rebuke before all, that others also may fear.

<sup>21</sup>I charge you before God, and before the Lord Jesus Christ and the elect angels, that you observe these things without preference one above the other, doing nothing with partiality.

<sup>22</sup>Do not lay hands hastily on any man, nor be partakers of the sins of other men; keep yourself pure.

<sup>23</sup>Do not use water only anymore, but drink a little wine for your stomach's sake and for your frequent illnesses.

<sup>24</sup>The sins of some men are obvious, being judged in advance, but that of some men follow after.

<sup>25</sup>Likewise, the good works that some perform are very obvious, but those who are otherwise, cannot be hidden.

#### **CWDS Bible Quotes**

1. *Honor is soft and engaging; it never disrespects or offends; although it remains honest in correcting, it communicates love in intent and at the extent in the end.*
2. *Do an age assessment to understand the platform of relationship, then speak, yet it is maturity beyond this age to speak to everyone with respect and honor.*
3. *Widows indeed are widows in need who are faithful in faith; these widows are windows of opportunity for you to bless and to honor.*
4. *A widow or anyone who exhausts their pain at the altar and uses the occasion to alter the situation of others in prayer and supplication continuously, is a window to Heaven not just a grieving widow.*
5. *Widows will not be pressured if they pressure the gates of heaven with night and day prayers.*
6. *Alone does not have to translate to loneliness and self-pity but prayerfulness and the opportunity to give your nights and days to prayer.*
7. *If your situation is dead and you give yourself to prayer you are a living fire fully alive; if your situation is alive and you give yourself to pleasure you are a living dead.*
8. *Prayer is not an occasion, it is ongoing and continuous; pray day and night and night and day; pray with deliberation; pray with expectation, pray with expression, pray with supplication*

*and intercession and all kinds of prayer; pray incessantly, pray without ceasing.*

9. *You cannot prove yourself to the world if you are not providing for your own household, instead you prove yourself to be just like, or rather worse than the world, and unworthy.*
10. *Your ministry begins at home, among your immediate and extended family and friends; extend the love of Jesus to them persistently and respond proactively to their immediate danger of eternal death, before you exhaust yourself in the church.*
11. *Never express to impress; express your word and works from a pure heart of love.*
12. *Widowhood may be undesirable and painful, but it is a club for the distinguished in love, generosity and service yielding distinct honor. Learn to turn your pain into game for glory.*
13. *Your distinction as a worthy widow is earned from your diligence in being a worthy wife and individual; change of circumstances does not change character, it highlights it.*
14. *Until you learn to make God your husband, completely devoted and faithful to Him in everything, you are not truly a widow; unless your heart is single and focused on God your Father and His laws, you are not truly a single individual ready to be given away.*
15. *Preoccupation with singleness and with emptiness, gives room to the devil to fill you with the flesh, and eventually father your future with no intention to further it.*
16. *Your ministry to ministers must be deliberate and consistent; you facilitate their ministry when you partner with them or their ministry and honor them in ministry.*
17. *Studying, interceding and receiving from God is the most important and time consuming work of ministry; give to make it happen rather than take the time of ministers for granted.*
18. *Refuse to join the gossipers and slanderers; valid accusation with verification is only carried, on the intention of love and restoration. Information is gossip if there is no positive outcome intended.*
19. *Open sin deserves open rebuke; open sin among believers is open negative ministry and failure to address this openly will amount to open endorsement.*
20. *Your standard is Christ; you share Christ with sinners rather than remove your standards to share in their sin.*
21. *The call of God is certain but not sudden, designated beforehand and not a discovery, it is exciting but not erratic; information, preparation and order precedes separation and service.*
22. *Hidden sin leads to open judgment; not because it is hidden mean it is forgotten; address your sin before it addresses you publicly, for it surely will.*
23. *Publicity does not define severity of sin, rather secrecy many times denies it; guilt is not measured by public but personal conviction.*
24. *You cast stones you are not worthy of if you callously exclude yourself from the judgment box of the accused and deceptively place yourself on the judgment seat of the excused.*

### PRAYER POINTS

- My Father my God, teach us to honor while giving correction and to communicate love in everything we do, in the name of Jesus.
- Loving Father, place your heart for widows and

single mothers in the hearts of believers, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

- I speak honor and respect into the spirits of the youths of this generation, in the name of Jesus.
- Holy Spirit, open the eyes of believers to the opportunities for blessings all around them, especially that of faithful believers in need. Amen.
- Most high God, endow the youth of this generation with the power to live for You in this age, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

**OH, money, oh, I love my money so; Oh, money, no! I am pierced; it sorrows my soul.**

**I thought that gain was godliness but I was not content.**

**I brought nothing into this world and I shall surely take nothing hence.**

**Now I would rather fight a good fight and lay hold on eternal life,**

**Not trusting in riches but rich in good works,**

**To distribute readily, always living godly. No, money, no! On you I will not build my hope.**

### 1 TIMOTHY 6

<sup>1</sup>Let as many servants as are under the yoke count your masters worthy of double honor, that the name of God and His doctrine will not be blasphemed.

<sup>2</sup>And those who have believing masters, let them not despise them because they are brethren, but rather serve them because those who benefits are faithful and beloved; these things exhort and teach.

<sup>3</sup>If any man teaches other than these and do not consent to wholesome words, even the words of Jesus our Lord, and also to the doctrine which is according to godliness,

<sup>4</sup>he is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and contentions over words, from which comes envy, strife and railings, evil assumptions,

<sup>5</sup>unprofitable disputes of men of corrupt minds and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness; from such withdraw yourselves.

<sup>6</sup>But godliness with contentment, that is great gain

<sup>7</sup>For we brought nothing into this world and it is certain that we can carry nothing out.

<sup>8</sup>And having food and clothing let us be content with it.

<sup>9</sup>But those who desire to be rich have fallen into a snare and temptation, and into many foolish and harmful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition.

<sup>10</sup>For the love of money is the root of all evil; some having coveted after this, have erred from the faith, and have pierced their own selves through with many sorrows.

<sup>11</sup>But you, O man of God, flee these things; yes, run, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, patience, love and meekness.

<sup>12</sup>Fight the good fight of faith.

Lay hold on eternal life unto which you were also called and saved and have confessed a good confession before many witnesses.

<sup>13</sup>I charge you in the sight of God, who has quickened all things, and before Jesus Christ, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed the good confession,

<sup>14</sup>that you keep these commandments without spot, unrebukeable until Jesus Christ our Lord appears,

<sup>15</sup>Who in His own time will show who is the Blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings, and the Lord of lords;

<sup>16</sup>Who alone has immortality and who dwells in light, no one can approach unto; Whom no man has seen nor can see; to Whom be glory and power everlastingly. Amen.

<sup>17</sup>Charge those who are rich in this world that they are not to be high-minded, nor to trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God alone, who gives us richly all things to enjoy;

<sup>18</sup>that they do good, for this is what His gifts are for, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to share,

<sup>19</sup>laying up for themselves a good and sure foundation against the time to come, that they may hold on to eternal life.

<sup>20</sup>Oh, Timothy, protect that which is committed to your trust;

avoid profane and vain babbling and opposition of what is falsely called scientific knowledge,

<sup>21</sup>which some professing, have erred from the faith.

Grace be with you. Amen.

### CWDS Bible Quotes

- The content of your agreement may affect your contentment but must never determine your commitment to the agreement or to your relationship to authority.*
- Your yoke to Christ is of far more importance than your yoke to any earthly master or obligation; master your earthly obligations by giving all honor to authority so you may minister Christ.*
- Personal relationship and Christian connection does not excuse your relationship to authority, it should accentuate it.*
- The word is like wisdom; you cannot dispute the indisputable, or deny the undeniable, for it will not deny itself, but will instead deny you its benefits.*

- Pride blocks your eyes from seeing and your ears from hearing the truth pricking you; it opens your heart to disputes and produces envy, strife, suspicions and corrupt thoughts.*
- You do not measure godliness by your treasure, or use godliness as a means to accumulate treasure, instead you see godliness as your greatest treasure and you measure your wealth by your contentment.*
- Do not focus on getting out of this world, but on getting the world out you, so when you leave this world you may retain the value of the wealth of your works here in this world.*
- If your treasure is heaven, lay up your treasure in heaven so you do not surrender to the traps and temptation of the earth.*
- Money is not evil it is an evil love; every type of evil imaginable springs from the love of money.*
- Love God with your money rather than love money above God, for this makes money your god.*
- You are in rich poverty if the riches you have steal the wealth of your salvation.*
- You master money by putting money to the Master's use, but guard your heart; the devil will use money and greed to master you.*
- What you pursue, you presume; the spirit of whatever you pursue, pursues you. Pursue faith, love, patience and gentleness and escape the spirit of money.*
- Your calling and your confession is not the conclusion of your faith but your induction into combat: the good fight. The battle for your soul is no pretense; it is raging and intense with your eternal life the devil's sole intent.*
- Understand, appreciate and exalt continuously, the Person, the position, the power, the presence, the glory, the authority and the awesomeness, of the Lord Jesus Christ.*
- Wealth is a positioning for kingdom performance, not a position of pride and personal glory. Your net worth should facilitate good works; your abundance on abundance of godliness.*
- Your wealth may give you contentment, but should never be your confidence; place your confidence in the living, unchangeable, ever faithful, God.*
- Your wealth may buy you a good life but it cannot buy you eternal life; you bypass wealth to reach for life and use your wealth to express it.*
- You may not be able to stop idle talk, arguments and contradictions, but you may void them by avoiding them.*

### PRAYER POINTS

- I declare that I am a person of integrity; my commitment is my bond, in the name of Jesus.
- Power to honor agreements and so to honor You Father, walk with believers today, in the name of Jesus.
- Wisdom to relate to authority above relationship, rest in the spirit of believers, in the name of Jesus.
- Most High God, I honor Your word; I live to love and to follow Your precepts. Amen.
- Gracious and forgiving God, remove pride from my spirit. Amen.

Hippolytus records that Simon the Zealot, son of Clopas, who is also called Jude, was the second Bishop of Jerusalem. He became bishop of Jerusalem after the death of James the Just, brother of Jesus. He died of natural causes and was buried there at the age of 120 years.

This feature continues at the end of the next chapter.