

MEN AND WOMEN IN WORSHIP

I Timothy 2:8-15

Intro:

- A. It is important that God be worshipped.
 - 1. He has chosen to use the assembly.
 - 2. This pleases Him.

- B. Paul includes some instruction on how and what is to be done in worship.
 - 1. Prayer is to be said for all.
 - 2. Men and women are to worship.

I. Men And Worship. Vs 8

- A. "I will therefore that men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands..."
 - 1. "I desire therefore..."
 - 2. "That it should be the way everywhere, that men should lead-out in prayer..."
 - 3. "Lifting up" = επαίρω = "to lift up", "raise up".
 - 4. "Lifting to heaven holy hands..."

- B. "...without wrath and doubting."
 - 1. "Wrath" = οργη = "the native character", "anger with a desire to kill or take revenge".
 - 2. "Doubting" = διαλογισμος = "adjustment of accounts", "consideration", "calculating", "doubts".
 - 3. "With no anger and arguing".

- C. This is not a command that has to do with the position of the hands.
 - 1. The hands must be holy.
 - 2. They must be like God in character.

II. Women And Worship, Her Dress. Vs 9-10

A. The women and their dress. Vs 9a

1. "Adorn" = κοσμεω = "set in order", "to arrange", "appropriate".
2. "Modest" = αιδως = "feminine reserve", "showing a dislike for that which is sexually suggestive"
3. "Shamefacedness" = σωφροσυνη = "self-control", "habitual self-government", "perfect self-mastery of the physical appetites"

B. How they were not to dress. Vs 9b

1. "Broided hair" = πλεγμα = "that which is woven or plaited" Elaborate hair styles of the prostitutes. If there is a "Madonna" hair-do, don't get one and wear it to church.
2. "Gold" = "lavish jewelry".
3. "Pearls" = "The jewel of choice for all manner of decoration".
4. "Costly array" = πολυτελης = "an expensive garment could cost 7,000 denari, one for a slave or a common person 600 denari. They should not create a wide gap between themselves and those who had very little. Wearing expensive clothes is a deliberate act.

C. The perfect dress for a woman. Vs 10

1. "Becometh" = προπω = "to be conspicuous among a number", "to suit".
2. "Professing" = επαγγελω = "to announce", "to lay claim to", "to give one's self as an expert".
3. "Godliness" = θεοσεβεια = "reverence toward God".
4. "By works, good".

III. The Women And The Service. Vs 11

A. They are to learn. Vs 11

1. "Learn" = μαυθανω = "to learn, intellectually from others, or from study and observation".
2. "Silence" = ησυχια = quietness".

3. "Subjection" = ὑποταγή = "subordination".
 4. "A woman should learn quietly and humbly" - PHI
- B. The woman and teaching in worship. Vs 12
1. She is not to teach.
 2. "Suffer" = επιτρέπω = "to allow", The pres. tense emphasizes the continual action and points to an abiding attitude. L.K.N.T.
 3. "Teach" = διδάσκω = "to give instruction".
 4. She is not to assume authority.
 5. "Usurp authority" = αυθευτέω = "to have power over", "to domineer", "one acting on his own authority".
 6. "Silence" = ησυχία = "quietness".
 7. "I never let women teach or lord it over men."
TAY

IV. The Order Of Creation And Deception.

- A. Vs 13 "For Adam was first formed, then Eve..."
1. "First" = πρῶτος = "the first, in place, time, order, or dignity".
 2. "Formed" = πλασσω = "to fashion", "to create".
 3. "Why? Because God made Adam first, and afterwards He made Eve." - TAY
- B. Vs 14 "And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression."
1. "Deceived" = απατάω = "to trick, mislead".
 2. "Deceived" = εξαπατάω = "out of", intensive, "to deceive wholly", "delude thoroughly".
 3. "Transgression" = παραβασις = "a stepping aside, as from what is right".
 4. "And Adam was not fooled by Satan" - TAY, "but his wife was thoroughly deceived" - WEY
- C. Vs 15 "Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing..."
1. "However, women will get safely through childbearing" (the pain and suffering sent to remind them of the deception) Genesis 3:16

2. Genesis 3:16 - "...in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children..."
- D. "...if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety."
1. "Continue" = μένω = "to remain, abide".
 2. "Faith" = πίστις = "firmly relying confidence".
 3. "Charity" = ἀγάπη = "love".
 4. "Holiness" = ἁγιασμός = "essential purity".
 5. "Sobriety" = σωφροσύνη = "soundness of mind", "discretion".
 6. "If they continue to live in faith, love and purity" - WMS