

1 Timothy

CHAPTER 2:1-7

Lesson 3

This section of 1 Timothy 2 begins with the words *therefore* and *first of all*. Paul presented one of the great needs for prayer in chapter 1. Chapter 2 begins with prayer being one of the solutions to our needs. In our pondering of what to do, when facing any problem, may these words of Paul resound in our minds and hearts...*first of all* pray.

Read 1 Timothy 2:1-7

1. Read through this week's verses using at least two Bible translations or paraphrases. After reading through these verses, what would you say to someone if they asked you what they are about?
2. The term of conclusion, *therefore*, is used in verse 1. Record what the conclusion is based upon.
3. Consider the references to Jesus. List some truths declared about Him in this section.

Read 1 Timothy 2:4

1. God has many desires for us. What two desires did Paul mention in 1 Timothy 2:4?

a. Record the words of:

Mark 16:15

Luke 24:47

John 17:3

1.) How does knowing these to be God's goal challenge you to make it yours?

2. Define the word *desire*.

a. Reflect on the word *desire* as it applies to God's desires for you. What are some of the *desires* God has for you?

1.) Consider your response to the question above. What might your answers reveal about how you view God?

3. What are some *truths* about God that you did not know before you were saved, but know now?

a. How has coming to the *knowledge of the truth* affected you?

Read 1 Timothy 2:5

1. Paul followed his statement in verse 4 with a truth that many deny. What did he write?
2. *There is one God.* Verify this by writing the words of Deuteronomy 6:4.
3. *There is one Mediator between God and men.* Verify this by writing the words of Hebrews 7:25.
4. The one Mediator between God and men is *the Man Christ Jesus.* Verify this by writing the words of Luke 2:11.
5. Explain, as you would to an unbeliever, why we need a *mediator*.
6. Share a few thoughts about the time you began to realize that you needed a *Mediator*.

Read 1 Timothy 2:6

1. According to 1 Timothy 2:6, what did Jesus do for us?
2. Define the word *ransom*.

3. Record the last phrase of Job 33:24.

4. Describe Jesus' perspective of His life using Mark 10:45.
 - a. How should a believer personally have this as their perspective?

5. *Even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you* (1 Corinthians 1:6). There are times when we look at our lives and doubt our salvation. What are some evidences in your life that *confirms* the *testimony of Christ* (the changes that reveal God is truly at work in you through Jesus)?

Read 1 Timothy 2:7

1. Paul understood his calling. What did he say he was *appointed* to be / do?

2. According to verse 7, what are two necessary components of godly teaching?
 - a. Describe the *faith* crucial to *teaching* the Word?

 - b. Why is it important to teach truth?
 - 1.) People have many expectations of *teachers* of God's Word. What are some expectations that people have?
 - a.) What are your expectations?

