

# 1 Timothy 5

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## Instructions for Various Groups

- <sup>1</sup> Rebuke not an elder, but intreat him as a father; and the younger men as brethren;  
<sup>2</sup> The elder women as mothers; the younger as sisters, with all purity.
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## Widows in the Church

- <sup>3</sup> Honour widows that are widows indeed.  
<sup>4</sup> But if any widow have children or nephews, let them learn first to shew piety at home, and to requite their parents: for that is good and acceptable before God.  
<sup>5</sup> Now she that is a widow indeed, and desolate, trusteth in God, and continueth in supplications and prayers night and day.  
<sup>6</sup> But she that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth.  
<sup>7</sup> And these things give in charge, that they may be blameless.  
<sup>8</sup> But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel.  
<sup>9</sup> Let not a widow be taken into the number under threescore years old, having been the wife of one man,  
<sup>10</sup> Well reported of for good works; if she have brought up children, if she have lodged strangers, if she have washed the saints' feet, if she have relieved the afflicted, if she have diligently followed every good work.  
<sup>11</sup> But the younger widows refuse: for when they have begun to wax wanton against Christ, they will marry;

**12** Having damnation, because they have cast off their first faith.

**13** And withal they learn to be idle, wandering about from house to house; and not only idle, but tattlers also and busybodies, speaking things which they ought not.

**14** I will therefore that the younger women marry, bear children, guide the house, give none occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully.

**15** For some are already turned aside after Satan.

**16** If any man or woman that believeth have widows, let them relieve them, and let not the church be charged; that it may relieve them that are widows indeed.

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### **Honoring Elders**

**17** Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine.

**18** For the scripture saith, Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn. And, The labourer is worthy of his reward.

**19** Against an elder receive not an accusation, but before two or three witnesses.

**20** Them that sin rebuke before all, that others also may fear.

**21** I charge thee before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the elect angels, that thou observe these things without preferring one before another, doing nothing by partiality.

**22** Lay hands suddenly on no man, neither be partaker of other men's sins: keep thyself pure.

**23** Drink no longer water, but use a little wine for thy stomach's sake and thine often infirmities.

**24** Some men's sins are open beforehand, going before to judgment; and some men they follow after.

**25** Likewise also the good works of some are manifest beforehand; and they that are otherwise cannot be hid.

## HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

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### **Elect** — ἐκλεκτός (Eklektos)

Elect, chosen

The Greek **eklektos** (ἐκλεκτός) means chosen or elect—those selected by God. Believers are 'elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father' (1 Peter 1:2).

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### **Faith** — πίστις (Pistis)

Faith, belief, trust

The Greek **pistis** (πίστις) denotes faith, belief, or trust—confidence in God's character and promises. It's both intellectual assent and relational trust, central to justification (Romans 5:1).

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### **God** — Θεός (Theos)

God

The Greek **Theos** (Θεός) refers to deity, used both for the one true God and false gods. Context determines whether it denotes the Father specifically or the Godhead generally.

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### **Judgment** — κρίσις (Krisis)

Judgment, decision

The Greek **krisis** (κρίσις) denotes judgment—evaluation and sentence. All will stand before God's judgment seat (Romans 14:10), and Christ has been appointed Judge of the living and dead (Acts 10:42).

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### **Sin** — ἁμαρτία (Hamartia)

Sin, missing the mark

The Greek **hamartia** (ἁμαρτία) means sin—missing the target of God's perfection. 'All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God' (Romans 3:23), requiring Christ's atoning sacrifice.

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### **Word** — λόγος (Logos)

Word, reason, message

The Greek **Logos** (λόγος) means word, reason, or message—the rational principle underlying reality. John identifies Christ as the eternal Logos: 'In the beginning was the Word' (John 1:1).

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## CROSS REFERENCES

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**1 Timothy 5:1**    **Parallel theme:** 1 Timothy 5:17; Leviticus 19:32; Matthew 23:8; Acts 14:23; 15:4; Romans 13:7; Galatians 6:1; Titus 2:2; 2:6; 1 Peter 5:1

**1 Timothy 5:2**    **Parallel theme:** 1 Timothy 4:12; 5:3; Matthew 12:50; Philippians 4:8

**1 Timothy 5:3**    **Parallel theme:** Exodus 20:12; Deuteronomy 10:18; 14:29; 16:11; 16:14; 27:19; Acts 6:1; 1 Peter 2:17

## 1 Timothy 5:4

**Parallel theme:** Genesis 47:12; 47:28; Judges 12:14; Ruth 2:2; 2:18; Job 18:19; Proverbs 31:28; Isaiah 14:22; Luke 2:51. **Good:** 1 Timothy 2:3

**1 Timothy 5:5** **Parallel theme:** 1 Timothy 5:3; 1 Corinthians 7:32. **Prayer:** Luke 2:37; 18:1; Ephesians 6:18. **Faith:** 1 Timothy 5:16; Psalms 91:4; 1 Peter 3:5. **References God:** Luke 18:7

## 1 Timothy 5:6

**Parallel theme:** Matthew 8:22; Luke 15:13; 15:24; 15:32; Ephesians 2:1; 5:14; James 5:5; Revelation 3:1; 18:7

**1 Timothy 5:7** **Parallel theme:** 1 Timothy 4:11; 2 Timothy 4:1; Titus 1:13; 2:15

**1 Timothy 5:8** **Faith:** Galatians 6:10. **Parallel theme:** Genesis 30:30; Isaiah 58:7; Matthew 7:11; 2 Corinthians 12:14; 2 Timothy 3:5; Titus 1:16

**1 Timothy 5:9** **Parallel theme:** 1 Timothy 3:2; 5:11

**1 Timothy 5:10** **Good:** 1 Timothy 6:18; Matthew 5:16; Acts 9:36; 2 Timothy 3:17; Titus 2:7; 3:1; 3:8; 1 Peter 2:12. **Holy:** Romans 12:13. **Parallel theme:** Luke 7:44

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**Parallel theme:** 1 Timothy 4:3; 5:9; 5:14; Isaiah 3:16; Hosea 13:6; James 5:5

**1 Timothy 5:12** **Parallel theme:** 1 Corinthians 11:34; Galatians 1:6; James 3:1; 1 Peter 4:17

**1 Timothy 5:13** **Parallel theme:** Leviticus 19:16; Proverbs 20:19; 31:27; Acts 20:20; Titus 1:11; James 3:10; 1 Peter 4:15; 3 John 1:10. **Kingdom:** Luke 10:7; Acts 20:30

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**1 Timothy 5:15** **Parallel theme:** 1 Timothy 1:20; 2 Timothy 4:10; 2 Peter 2:2; 1 John 2:19

**1 Timothy 5:16** **Faith:** 1 Timothy 5:8

**1 Timothy 5:17** **Parallel theme:** Luke 10:7; Acts 28:10; Romans 12:8; 15:27; 16:12; Philippians 2:29; 2 Timothy 2:6; Hebrews 13:17. **Word:** Galatians 6:6; Hebrews 13:7

**1 Timothy 5:18** **Parallel theme:** Leviticus 19:13; Deuteronomy 25:4; Matthew 10:10; Luke 10:7; 1 Corinthians 9:14. **Word:** Romans 9:17; 10:11; James 4:5

**1 Timothy 5:19** **Witness:** Deuteronomy 17:6; 19:15; Matthew 18:16; 2 Corinthians 13:1; Hebrews 10:28. **Parallel theme:** Acts 25:16; Titus 1:6

**1 Timothy 5:20**

**Parallel theme:** 1 Timothy 1:20; Deuteronomy 13:11; 17:13; 19:20; Acts 5:5; 5:11; 19:17; 2 Timothy 4:2; Titus 1:13. **Sin:** Leviticus 19:17

**1 Timothy 5:21**

**References God:** 2 Peter 2:4. **References Jesus:** 1 Timothy 6:13; 2 Timothy 4:1. **References Christ:** 2 Corinthians 5:16. **Parallel theme:** Matthew 25:41; Jude 1:6. **References Lord:** 2 Timothy 2:14

**1 Timothy 5:22** **Parallel theme:** 1 Timothy 3:6; 3:10; 4:12; 4:14; Acts 6:6; 13:3; Ephesians 5:11; 2 Timothy 1:6; Hebrews 6:2; 2 John 1:11

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**1 Timothy 5:24** **Parallel theme:** Acts 8:18; 2 Timothy 4:10

**1 Timothy 5:25** **Parallel theme:** Proverbs 10:9; Luke 11:33

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