



1st Timothy

The Church of the Living God

Living a Life that Honors
the Lord – Part 3

August 15, 2021

- Matthew 4:23 And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, **preaching the gospel** of the kingdom, and **healing all kinds of sickness** and all kinds of disease among the people.
- Matthew 8:16 When evening had come, they brought to Him many who were demon-possessed. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and **healed all who were sick**

- Matthew 9:35 Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, **preaching the gospel** of the kingdom, and **healing every sickness and every disease among the people.**

I. Living A Life That HONORS The LORD.

- 1 Timothy 3:1–3 This is a faithful saying: If **a man desires** the position of **a bishop**, he **desires a good work**.² A bishop then **must be** blameless, the husband of one wife, temperate, sober-minded, of good behavior, hospitable, able to teach;³ not given to wine, not violent, not greedy for money, but gentle, not quarrelsome, not covetous;

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I. Living A Life That HONORS The LORD.

- 1 Timothy 3:7 Moreover he must have a good testimony among those who are outside, lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil,

A. Christ-like Character is made known by:

1. Being Above Reproach / Blameless
2. Being The Husband Of One Wife
3. Being Temperate / Sober-minded
4. Being Sober-minded / Thoughtful
5. Being Free from the love of money / Not Greedy (Covetous)

A. Christ-like Character is made known by:

6. Being Gentle.
7. Being of Good Reputation.
8. Being A Good Steward, Not Self-willed.
9. Being Just.
10. Being HOLY.

B. Christ-like Conduct is made known by:

1. Good Behavior / being Well-Organized.
2. Hospitality – Showing Love to Strangers.
3. Not being Addicted to Wine / being Spirit Controlled not Controlled by spirits.

B. Christ-like Conduct is made known by:

4. Not Be Given To Violent Outbursts / Being Free From Emotional Manipulation.

- 1 Timothy 3:2–3 A bishop then must be . . .
3 not given to wine, **not violent**,
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- Romans 12:17–19 **Repay no one evil for evil.** Have regard for good things in the sight of all men. ¹⁸ If it is possible, as much as depends on you, **live peaceably with all men.** ¹⁹ Beloved, **do not avenge yourselves**, but rather give place to wrath; for it is written, *“Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,”* says the Lord

B. Christ-like Conduct is made known by:

5. Not being Quarrelsome / Being Free From Deceptive Distractions.

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- 2 Timothy 2:24 And a servant of the Lord **must not quarrel** but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient

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- Matthew 6:12 And **forgive us our debts,**
As we forgive our debtors.

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- Matthew 5:9 **Blessed are the peacemakers**, For they shall be called sons of God.

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6. Loving what is Good / Being an Advocate of What is Best.

- Titus 1:7-8 For **a bishop must be . . .** ⁸
but hospitable, **a lover of what is good**,
sober-minded, just, holy, self-controlled.

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➤ Mark 10:17 Now as He was going out on the road, one came running, knelt before Him, and asked Him, “**Good Teacher, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?**”

Mark 10:18 So Jesus said to him, “**Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God.**”

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- Philippians 4:8 Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—**meditate on these things.**

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- Hebrews 5:14 But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who **by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.**

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- Proverbs 8:13 **The fear of the LORD is to hate evil**; Pride and arrogance and the evil way And the perverse mouth I hate.
Proverbs 19:8 He who **gets wisdom loves** his own soul; He who **keeps understanding will find good.**

B. Christ-like Conduct is made known by:

7. Not being Greedy for Money / Being content with God's provisions.

- Titus 1:7 For a **bishop must be** blameless, as a steward of God, not self-willed, not quick-tempered, not given to wine, not violent, **not greedy for money.**

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- Matthew 6:24 “No one can serve **two masters**; for either he will **hate the one and love the other**, or else he will **be loyal to the one and despise the other**. You cannot serve **God** and **mammon**.”

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- 1 Timothy 6:6 Now **godliness with contentment** is great gain.
- 1 Timothy 6:9 But **those who desire to be rich fall into temptation** and a snare, and into many foolish and harmful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition

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- 1 Peter 2:21–22 For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that **you should follow His steps**: ²² *“Who committed no sin, **Nor was deceit found in His mouth**”*;

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- 1 Peter 2:23 who, when He was reviled, **did not revile in return**; when He suffered, **He did not threaten**, but **committed Himself** to Him who judges righteously

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- Proverbs 15:18 **A wrathful man** stirs up strife, But he who is **slow to anger** allays contention

C. Christ-likeness causes us to pursue the competency necessary to minister His Word to others.

1. Pursue maturity in character in order to provide an example worthy of following.

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➤ 2 Timothy 2:2 And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, **commit these to faithful men** who will be **able to teach** others also

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➤ Hebrews 12:14 **Pursue peace** with all people, and **holiness**, without which no one will see the Lord:

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➤ 1 Peter 2:2–3 as newborn babes, **desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby,** ³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is gracious.

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- Psalm 119:11 Your **word I have hidden in my heart**, That I might not sin against You.
- Psalm 119:97 Oh, **how I love Your law!** It is my meditation all the day

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