

GODLINESS IN ACTION

Use the following Growth Group discussion questions to deepen your relationship with God, his Word and others.

Growth Group Leaders: It is not necessary to use all the questions. Select or ask questions you like or that best fit your Growth Group.

BREAK IT OUT:

1. What common things “prevent us” from responding to God’s call in daily life?
2. What got your attention or made you think of a new idea in Sunday’s sermon?

TALK IT OUT: (1 TIMOTHY 5:1-16)

3. Why do you think the matters in this passage are important for the church to address?
4. What does it mean to have your godliness evident to all?
5. How do you think “relationships” give us an opportunity to grow in godliness?
6. How is God calling you to godliness so that you can help someone in need?
7. How do you believe Christians ought to fulfill the command in verse 8?

WORK IT OUT:

8. What changes can you make with your time or resources to help those in need, so the church will not be overburdened?
9. What step can you take to please God in how you treat the church family or your own family?
10. How can your Growth Group help or come alongside you in this endeavor?

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7/10 in the series The Faithful Church

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Do you want to have an impact on the lives of others? Do you want to leave a mark on this world and the people around you? Strive for godliness. The world’s wisdom and physical training have little to offer compared to godliness. Paul says train, devote, strain, labor and persevere, **“so that your progress may be evident to all.”** Godliness is not something we believe; godliness is an action. Chapter 5:1-16 tackles areas close to home and church in which your godliness may be evident to all.

1. **Our godliness is evident in the way we treat God’s family** - (1 Timothy 5:1-2). Our relational health within the church influences our evangelistic health outside the church.
2. **Our godliness is evident in the priority we give our own family** - (1 Timothy 5:3-8). Forget yourself and look to the needs of others, especially your own family.
3. **Our godliness is evident in the way we help those in need** - (1 Timothy 5:9-16). We must organize and live for the spiritual health of the church

For the Week

Let your godliness be evident in your relationships and in serving the needs near you.

NEXT WEEK 8/10 • THE FAITHFUL CHURCH
SHOWING APPRECIATION • 1 Timothy 5:17-23