



Today's Message

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Title: *A Heart Check for Worshipers*

Text: 1 Timothy 2:8–10 (ESV)

⁸ I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarrel; ⁹ likewise also that women should adorn themselves in respectable apparel, with modesty and self-control, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly attire, ¹⁰ but with what is proper for women who profess godliness—with good works.

Introduction: Paul left Timothy in Ephesus to set things in order in the church because the gospel was at risk.

- A charge to Timothy to confront false teachers 1:3-7
- A correction to their false teaching: The Law and its proper use 1:8-11
- An illustration of the power of the true Gospel 1:12–17
- A forceful conclusion of the charge to Timothy 1:18–20

Against this backdrop, beginning chapter two, Paul said, “Now, here is how you set things right in the church.” Paul’s first concern was properly ordered worship (chapter two).

Today’s take-home truth: We each must adorn the gospel with the right kind of worship.

I. The right kind of worship adorns the gospel. 8a

- A. Worship is inseparable from the gospel mission.
- B. The right kind of worship is . . .
 - 1. divinely ordered . . .
 - 2. and universally observed.

II. Men must worship rightly. 8b

- A. Men should pray.
- B. Men should pray out of a holy life.
- C. Men should pray without anger or quarrelling.

III. Women must worship rightly. 9-10

- A. Women should dress respectably. 9a
 - 1. Dress with modesty.
 - 2. Dress with self-control.
- B. Women should avoid fashions designed to attract attention. 9b
- C. Women should focus on godliness that produces good works. 10