## Lesson 20

### The Role of Faithful Women

### 1 Timothy 2:9-15

### Day 1: A Faithful Woman’s Adornment (vs. 9-10)

1. From your study last week, recap to whom Paul is writing and what issue(s) he is addressing. (See also 1 Timothy 3:14–15)

	1. From last week’s lesson, what biblical principle did you apply to your life?
2. Read 1 Timothy 2:9–10. Use a dictionary to define “adorn,” “modestly” and “discreetly.”

	1. What does Paul teach about women’s adornment in this passage?
3. From the following verses, what should adorn a godly woman’s life?
	1. Isaiah 61:10
	2. 1 Timothy 2:10
	3. 1 Peter 3:3–4
4. What does Ephesians 2:10 teach about the good works of all believers?

**Day 2: A Faithful Woman’s Attitude (vs. 9-10)**

1. Using the concordance at the back of your Bible, write down a synonym for “godliness.”
2. According to Titus 2:3–5, what is the goal of older women teaching younger women?
3. What is the proper biblical response of men as they relate to women? (See Job 31:1 and 1 Thessalonians 4:4)
4. From the following verses, what specific instruction is given to married men about how to relate to their wives?
	1. Ephesians 5:25
	2. Colossians 3:19
	3. 1 Peter 3:7

**Day 3: A Faithful Woman’s Submission (vs. 11-12)**

1. Use a dictionary to define “submissive.”

	1. Some dictionaries include the word “passive” in defining submissive. Why is being biblically submissive not a passive role?
2. What do the following verses teach about the biblical principle of submission?
	1. 1 Corinthians 11:3
	2. Ephesians 5:21
	3. Ephesians 5:22–24
	4. Ephesians 6:5–8
	5. 1 Peter 5:5
3. What do the following verses teach about the spiritual equality of men and women?
	1. Romans 3:22
	2. Galatians 3:28
	3. 1 Corinthians 12:13
4. Why is it important to understand both biblical submission and spiritual equality?

**Day 4: A Faithful Woman’s Role in the Church (vs. 11-14)**

1. What does 1 Timothy 2:11–12 teach about the role of women in the teaching ministry of the church?
2. Why do you think Paul restricts women from teaching and exercising authority over men? Use Scripture to support your answer.
3. From the following verses, when and where are women encouraged to teach?
	1. 2 Timothy 1:5
	2. Proverbs 22:6
	3. Titus 2:3–5
4. What is God’s design in the created order? (See Genesis 2:18, 1 Corinthians 11:8–9, and 1 Timothy 2:13)

**Day 5: A Faithful Woman’s Godly Design (vs. 14-15)**

1. From verse 14, what happened to Eve when she was deceived?

	1. How does Satan deceive believers today?
2. How does Romans 5:12 provide perspective regarding Adam’s role in the fall?

	1. What does this teach about one’s personal responsibility for sin?
3. While 1 Timothy 2:15 refers to a married woman bearing children, not all women will marry and not all women will bear children. How are a single woman’s priorities different than a married woman’s priorities? (See also 1 Corinthians 7:34–35)
4. How has this lesson specifically encouraged you in your role and in your relationships within the body of Christ?

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