

1. Read again 1 Timothy 5:1,2. What is Paul's "big picture" for this section?
2. How does living out Paul's "big picture" teaching help us to display God's character in the world we live in?

5:17,18 - Honor Them

1. How does Paul instruct us to honor Godly men in leadership?
2. Why is laboring at "preaching and teaching" worthy of "double honor"?
3. These days what does Paul's instruction in these verses look like for you?

5:19-22 - Be Impartial Towards Them

1. How does Paul instruct us to be impartial to Godly men in leadership?
2. What are the consequences if we are not impartial? What are the consequences if we are impartial?
3. These days what does Paul's instruction in these verses look like for you?

5:23-25 - Be Sensitive

1. How does Paul instruct us to be sensitive to Godly men in leadership?
2. Why is this sensitivity so important?
3. These days what does Paul's instruction in these verses look like for you?

6:1,2 - Respect Their Authority

1. How does Paul instruct us to respect the authority of Godly men in leadership?
2. Most of us don't naturally submit to authority. Agree or Disagree? Why or Why Not?
3. Relationships that involve authority usually come with complications and drama. Agree or Disagree? Why or Why Not?
4. Many in authority haven't earned the respect that comes with that position but we still need to respect their authority. Agree or Disagree? Why or Why Not?
5. These days what does Paul's instruction in these verses look like for you?

Extra Credit

Coming back to Paul's "big picture" and processing Paul's examples of widows and Godly men in leadership...

1. The number one need of a woman is relational security. Agree or Disagree? Why or Why Not?
2. Is this need consistent regardless of age?
3. What do you think could be the number two need of a woman?
4. The number one need of a man is respect. Agree or Disagree? Why or Why Not?
5. Is this need consistent regardless of age?
6. What do you think could be the number two need of a man?
7. In what ways does Paul's teaching help us to meet these needs across generational lines?
8. On a scale of 1 to 10 (10 being unquestioned success), how do you think Creekside is doing at living out Paul's "big picture"? What would it take to move us one digit closer to a 10?