

Widows Indeed (I)

1 Tim 5:3-10

God always had very special place for widow in His program.

Early church called:

_____ of church

_____ of door

Keepers of _____.

God's care for widows

Widow: a woman whose husband has _____.

I. God is Father of fatherless and _____ of widows.

Umbrella of _____ for widow

Deuteronomy 10:18 Proverbs 15:25 Psalm 146:9

II. God provides for widows by means of tithe and *forgotten sheaf*.

Deuteronomy 24:19 Deuteronomy 24:20 Deuteronomy 24:21

III. God blesses those who help and _____ widow

Isaiah 1:17 Jeremiah 7:6 Jeremiah 22:3

IV. God rebukes and punishes those who _____ widows

Exodus 22:22-24

They shall cry at all unto me: shriek....make a proclamation to me.

V. Widows are object of Christ's tender _____

Mark 12:41-44 Luke 7:12-15 Luke 20:47

VI. Widows were not _____ in the early church.

Acts 6:1-6

1 Timothy 5:3

Honour widows: revere, venerate, pay respect, show _____, treat with high regard and great consideration

Widows Indeed. Truly widows...have a _____ need.

Show respect and dignity to widows who are truly widows and have a bonified need.

Classes of widow

1. Widows with _____

2. Widows that are young and _____

3. Widows that are widows _____

Names put on list

If met requirements/qualifications put on as "*widow staff*."

Honoured by _____ and finances.

le. Dorcus in Acts 9

1 Timothy 5:4

Nephews: linear descendents. Grandson or _____; Son of brother/brother in law or sister or sister in law.

let them learn first to show piety at home, _____ duty.

Matter of showing one's devotion to God.

Them: children/_____

requite their parents: to give off from one's self; to discharge one's _____ . demonstrate appreciation _____ them back.

... good and acceptable before God. _____ to God.

Really want to do something which pleases God?

Make sure take care of those who took care of you.

le. Joseph

le. Jesus on the cross

Eph 6:2

1 Timothy 5:5

1. **Desolate.** Alone, no children or grandchildren to _____ her.

2. _____ **Testimony**

trusteth in God... fixed _____ on God

continueth in supplications.. prayer for _____ needs

and prayers... worship, outpourings of _____.

Night and day... prayer time not now and then

le. _____: Luke 2:36-37

Opposite :

1 Timothy 5:6

Pleasure: lives luxuriously; leads a voluptuous life. ... *frivolous, dissolute, pleasure mad*

Dead while she liveth: living dead person

Lost real meaning and _____ of life

Useless to _____ of Christ

Godly widows—tremendous _____ to kingdom

1 Timothy 5:7

These things give in charge... blameless

Irreproachable...not _____!

1 Timothy 5:8

Provide: to perceive before, _____, think of it beforehand

His own household... near _____, of own household

Deny: _____, refuse,

Faith: what believe as _____

Faith demands work and fruits. By refusing the natural duties which Christian faith implies, one practically denies his possession of faith.

Real faith perfects and strengthens natural duties (Author unknown)

And is worse than an infidel

Infidel: no faith..._____

Thought: Even unsaved and unbelieving person take care of _____.

If a man doesn't provide ...fallen below standards of heathen without Christ!

3. At least _____ years of age.

1 Timothy 5:9

60. Not likely want to _____!

Taken into the number: _____; put on list,

4. Good _____ record. **having been the wife of one man,**

Same as _____ /Deacon

Can't be a _____ woman.

5. Reputation of Good Works.

1 Timothy 5:10

Well reported of: born witness to; good name; good _____.

Manifestation of her good works

a. **Brought up children** *if she have brought up children,*

b. **Hospitality.** ...*if she have lodged strangers,*

c. **Foot washing.** *if she have washed the saints' feet,*

Mark of _____

Demonstrated by character--willing be servant even in
_____ things.

_____ heart.

d. **Relieved the afflicted.** *if she have relieved the afflicted,*

Took care of people in _____.

Good track record _____ husband died.

Great _____ to any local church!

e. **Always looking for opportunities to serve.** *if she have
diligently followed every good work.*

So what?

1. _____ widows

2. Man—providers of household v. 8

3. Women—Honorable desire for you to pursue these attributes

Godly _____

Hospitality _____

Servant's _____

Relieve the afflicted _____
