REACHING OUR CITY ONE LIFE AT A TIME IN 2018

- 1. Pursue ONE unbeliever and become the best friend they've ever had.
- 2. Reach ONE person every DAY with a random act of kindness.
- 3. Minister to ONE person every WEEK you attend church.
- 4. Bring ONE new person to church every MONTH.
- 5. Lead ONE person to Jesus every YEAR and disciple them.

Dear Tim,

Part 5: Give Honor

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Breakdown of 1 Timothy Chapter 5

- How we treat others (older, younger, etc.) vs 1-2
- How we treat those marginalized vs 3-16
- How we treat leaders vs 17-22
- How we treat ourselves vs 23-25

The Big Picture in 1 Timothy

1 Timothy 5:5 NLT The purpose of my instruction is that all believers would be filled with love that comes from a pure heart, a clear conscience, and genuine faith.

1 Timothy 5:14-15 NLT

1. Give RESPECT (Be HUMBLE)

1 Timothy 5:1-2 NLT

2. Acknowledge RESPONSIBILITY

- 1 Timothy 5:3 NLT Take care of any widow who has no one else to care for her.
- 1 Timothy 5:7 NLT Give these instructions to the church so that no one will be open to criticism.

Levels of Responsibility

A. CHURCH Responsibility

- 1 Timothy 5:3 NLT Take care of any widow who has no one else to care for her.
- 1 Timothy 5:9-10 NLT

B. FAMILY Responsibility

- 1 Timothy 5:4 NLT But if she has children or grandchildren, their first responsibility is to show godliness at home and repay their parents by taking care of them. This is something that pleases God.
- 1 Timothy 5:8 NLT
- 1 Timothy 5:16 NLT

C. PERSONAL Responsibility

1 Timothy 5:11-15 NLT

How Does Loss of Responsibility Affect Honor?

- It puts undue responsibility on ANOTHER PERSON.
- It strips people of their ability to SELF-GOVERN.
- It robs them of their ability to use their gifts, abilities, and talents to IMPACT THE WORLD.
- It impairs our ability as a person created in the image of God to be an <u>OVERCOMER</u>, <u>VICTOR AND</u> <u>CONQUER IN LIFE</u>.

Galatians 6:1-5 NLT

Galatians 6:2 NKJV Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Galatians 6:5 NKJV For each one shall bear his own load.

The Burden Bearing Principle

When I look <u>OUT</u> at others, I am to 'bear one another's burdens.'

When I look IN at myself, I am to 'bear my own load.'

3. Be GENEROUS

1 Timothy 5:17-18 NLT Elders who do their work well should be respected and paid well, especially those who work hard at both preaching and teaching. ¹⁸ For the Scripture says, "You must not muzzle an ox to keep it from eating as it treads out the grain." And in another place, "Those who work deserve their pay!

4. Believe the BEST

1 Timothy 5:19-20 NLT Do not listen to an accusation against an elder unless it is confirmed by two or three witnesses. ²⁰ Those who sin should be reprimanded in front of the whole church; this will serve as a strong warning to others.

5. Be **IMPARTIAL**

1 Timothy 5:21-22 NLT

6. Live **HEALTHY**

A. PHYSCIAL Care

1 Timothy 5:23 NLT Don't drink only water. You ought to drink a little wine for the sake of your stomach because you are sick so often.

B. EMOTIONAL and SPIRITUAL Care

1 Timothy 5:24-25 NLT Remember, the sins of some people are obvious, leading them to certain judgment. But there are others whose sins will not be revealed until later. ²⁵ In the same way, the good deeds of some people are obvious. And the good deeds done in secret will someday come to light.

Great Big Takeaway

We are to be a 'Counter Culture' in the world system. If we live the values on 1 Timothy 5 we will stand in stark contrast to the darkness in the world.