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**A Word To Women**

1 Timothy 2:1-10

**Key Truth:** Godly Women are essential to the mission of the church.

1. Christian Women are to be women of prayer. Luke 2:36-38

2. Christian Women are to display holiness:

A. In their character. Ruth 2:8-13, Proverbs 31:30

B. In the clothing they wear. 1 Peter 3:3-6

C. In their everyday conversations. Proverbs 31:26-27

D. In their marriage. Proverbs 31:11-12

3. Christian Women are to be committed to discipleship

and multiplication. Titus 2:3-5

4. Christian Women are vital to the Kingdom Of God.

A. Esther was a courageous Queen that saved a Nation.

Esther 4:15-17

B. Deborah was a Prophetess and Judge in Israel giving

wisdom and insight. Judges 4:4-5

C. Phoebe was instrumental in serving the ministry of

Paul. Romans 16:1-2

D. Priscilla was a disciple maker along with her

husband Aquilla. Acts 18:26, Romans 16:3-4

E. Godly women financially supported the ministry of

Jesus. Luke 8:1-3

**Taking It Beyond The Walls:** Thank God for the ways He has uniquely gifted women to lead in their homes, workplaces, community, and the church.

**Food For Thought**

Read Judges 4:1-24: Among all the judges in Israel’s history, only one female judge is mentioned—Deborah. What do we learn about Deborah and her leadership roles from her story?

One of the traits Deborah modeled as a leader was courage. What factors might have made Deborah’s decision to become a leader especially courageous? Why is courage necessary for any woman in the church?

Another strength Deborah brought to her position of judge was just rule. Do you deal justly with others? What are some signs you may not?

Read Esther 2:9-17 and 4:10-16: When you think of women leaders in Scripture, Esther is often the first to come to mind. What does Esther 2:9-17 reveal about her characteristics? How would these traits have aided her in her leadership position?

Read Esther 4:14. Has God ever put you in a certain place at a certain time for His divine purpose?

Esther’s courage as a leader had far-reaching results for her people. She played a significant role in saving the Jews. What is one way you can be more courageous in a leadership role (formal or informal) you presently hold?

Read Romans 16:1-12: Women leaders aren’t limited to the Old Testament. Paul praised many women who were leaders in the early church. What stands out to you about Phoebe in the church from Paul’s words in Romans 16?

Phoebe and Aquilla modeled Jesus’ leadership: humble service to others. Why is humility a necessary trait of a leader?