

The Pastoral Care of God's Family

1 Timothy 5:1-2

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Groups of Pastoral Concern

- 5:1-2 All age groups/both sexes
5:3-16 Widows
5:17-25 Elders
6:1-2 Slaves

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Pastoral Treatment of Men

1 Timothy 5:1

Do not sharply rebuke an older man, but rather appeal to him as a father, to the younger men as brothers...

Titus 3:10-11

Reject a factious man after a first and second warning, 11 knowing that such a man is perverted and is sinning, being self-condemned.

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Pastoral Treatment of Women

1 Timothy 5:2

the older women as mothers, and the younger women as sisters, in all purity.

1 Timothy 4:12

Let no one look down on your youthfulness, but rather in speech, conduct, love, faith and purity, show yourself an example of those who believe.

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Applications

1. We should understand the significance of belonging to the family of God.
2. We should remember the pastor's role is to shepherd God's family until we reach glory.

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Image Bearers vs. Family

- Every human being bears God's image and must be protected.

Genesis 1:27

God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

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Image Bearers vs. Family

- While all people are image bearers of God deserving protection, only believers are children of God!

John 8:34-35

Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is the slave of sin. 35 The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son does remain forever."

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Image Bearers vs. Family

John 1:11-13

He came to His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him. 12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name, 13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

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The Call to Shepherd God's Family

Jeremiah 12:10

Many shepherds have ruined My vineyard, They have trampled down My field; They have made My pleasant field A desolate wilderness.

Jeremiah 3:15

Then I will give you shepherds after My own heart, who will feed you on knowledge and understanding.

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Acts 20:28-29

Be on guard for yourselves and for all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. 29 I know that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock...

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