



# ~ Thought For The Day ~

~gathering from the 4 winds~

“come just as you are”

Refresh, Restore, Rebuild = Healing



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## Prayer

God Father; in Jesus' name I ask it, that You give people wisdom and discernment in what they see and hear, give them the truth my Lord. Lead them to Scripture pertaining to circumstances. I ask Lord that You protect each person and supply their needs and keep them. Give each one peace, in Jesus' name. Amen.

## Worship Music

Stomp...Happy Feet.....give God glory.....

Your Beloved-Vineyard

Could I-Vineyard

If You Say Go-Vineyard

## Scripture

### I Timothy 6 ( 2005)

#### 1 Timothy 6:1-21 (AMP)

<sup>1</sup>LET ALL who are under the yoke as bond servants esteem their own [personal] masters worthy of honor *and* fullest respect, so that the name of God and the teaching [about Him] may not be brought into disrepute *and* blasphemed.

<sup>2</sup>Let those who have believing masters not be disrespectful *or* scornful [to them] on the grounds that they are brothers [in Christ]; rather, they should serve [them all the better] because those who benefit by their kindly service are believers and beloved. Teach and urge these duties.

<sup>3</sup>But if anyone teaches otherwise and does not assent to the sound *and* wholesome messages of our Lord Jesus Christ (the Messiah) and the teaching which is in agreement with godliness (piety toward God),

<sup>4</sup>He is puffed up with pride *and* stupefied with conceit, [although he is] woefully ignorant. He has a morbid fondness for controversy and disputes *and* strife about words, which result in (produce) envy *and* jealousy, quarrels *and* dissension, abuse *and* insults *and* slander, and base suspicions,

<sup>5</sup>And protracted wrangling *and* wearing discussion *and* perpetual friction among men who are corrupted in mind and bereft of the truth, who imagine that godliness *or* righteousness is a source of profit [a moneymaking business, a means of livelihood]. *From such withdraw.*

<sup>6</sup>[And it is, indeed, a source of immense profit, for] godliness accompanied with contentment (that contentment which is a sense of inward sufficiency) is great *and* abundant gain.

<sup>7</sup>For we brought nothing into the world, and *obviously* we cannot take anything out of the world;

<sup>8</sup>But if we have food and clothing, with these we shall be content (satisfied).

<sup>9</sup>But those who crave to be rich fall into temptation and a snare and into many foolish (useless, godless) and hurtful desires that plunge men into ruin *and* destruction and miserable perishing.

<sup>10</sup>For the love of money is a root of all evils; it is through this craving that some have been led astray *and* have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves through with many acute [mental] pangs.

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<sup>11</sup> But as for you, O man of God, flee from all these things; aim at *and* pursue righteousness (right standing with God and true goodness), godliness (which is the loving fear of God and being Christ like), faith, love, steadfastness (patience), and gentleness of heart.

<sup>12</sup> Fight the good fight of the faith; lay hold of the eternal life to which you were summoned and [for which] you confessed the good confession [of faith] before many witnesses.

<sup>13</sup> In the presence of God, Who preserves alive all living things, and of Christ Jesus, Who in His testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I [solemnly] charge you

<sup>14</sup> To keep all His precepts unsullied *and* flawless, irreproachable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ (the Anointed One),

<sup>15</sup> Which [appearing] will be shown forth in His own proper time by the blessed, only Sovereign (Ruler), the King of kings and the Lord of lords,

<sup>16</sup> Who alone has immortality [in the sense of exemption from every kind of death] and lives in unapproachable light, Whom no man has ever seen or can see. Unto Him be honor and everlasting power *and* dominion. Amen (so be it).

<sup>17</sup> As for the rich in this world, charge them not to be proud *and* arrogant *and* contemptuous of others, nor to set their hopes on uncertain riches, but on God, Who richly *and* ceaselessly provides us with everything for [our] enjoyment.

<sup>18</sup> [Charge them] to do good, to be rich in good works, to be liberal *and* generous of heart, ready to share [with others],

<sup>19</sup> In this way laying up for themselves [the riches that endure forever as] a good foundation for the future, so that they may grasp that which is life indeed.

<sup>20</sup> O Timothy, guard *and* keep the deposit entrusted [to you]! Turn away from the irreverent babble *and* godless chatter, with the vain *and* empty *and* worldly phrases, and the subtleties *and* the contradictions in what is falsely called knowledge *and* spiritual illumination.

<sup>21</sup> [For] by making such profession some have erred (missed the mark) as regards the faith. Grace (divine favor and blessing) be with you all! *Amen (so be it).*



Slaves (vv.1-2; compare 1 Corinthians 7:20-24). It is of no great importance whether one is slave or free. Become free if you can, but if you cannot, be a good slave. Paul says this on several occasions (Ephesians 6:5-9; Colossians 3:22-25; Titus 2:9-10). Christianity abolished slavery, not by denouncing it, but by teaching the doctrine of human brotherhood. The love of money (vv. 3-21) was the motive behind much false teaching (v. 5). Through the ages, church doctrines have been corrupted to produce income for the church. "A root of all kinds of evils" (v. 10 NASB, NIV) is more accurate than "the root of all evil" (KJV). O man of God, flee from all this (v. 11) and turn away from the godless, empty chatter of what is incorrectly called knowledge (v. 20).

(Halley's Bible Handbook; Henry Halley; 2000; history & commentaries; pages 839-840)

Our behavior at work, in public, at home... reflects on Jesus Christ and our witness for Him. Some people see godliness as a way to make gain or acquire possessions, and use it as doctrine". (also as to some churches profess to be the only church, Jesus is in authority over the churches, one's He calls into being and the Judge, yes, if they are teaching falsely we are to expose it, the Bible has clear guidelines how to do that....make an appt. with the person that is the steward of that church, face to face with evidence in hand, don't just pass something on because you heard it from a friend, neighbor or pastor's conference, did you witness it, do you have the evidence? Then go to them, give them the chance to correct themselves and repent if need be. We are to expose false teaching, it does not say to kill the person.....have some integrity.....and yes, I have been witnessing this a lot lately in public.....I thank God some of the pastors are starting to see how their flocks are acting....NO one wants to fellowship at a church that offers agape love than when you walk in the door, rip you to shreds like a pit bull or rottie, or a wood shredder.....I beg you to think.....is that Jesus?????) Godliness itself is a treasure. "Lusts" also means strong desires. If money is the obsession of our lives, we'll be pierced with many sorrows.

Are you ever tempted to think that you would be more content in life if you had more money? This is certainly a common idea in our society, but 1 Timothy 6:6-10 warns that striving to be rich and the love of money are dangerous snares that lead to destruction, not to contentment. Ask God to help you be content in His provision for you, knowing He knows everything you need and is faithful to provide.

The kingdom of God offers great benefits. As we see in 1 Timothy 6:6, one benefit is the privilege of being content and satisfied even when circumstances in our lives do not suit us. 1 Timothy 6:8 says that it is possible for us to be content if we just have food and clothing. Most of us have at least that, but we still have much discontentment. This verse is not saying that food and clothing are all God wants us to have. But it does say that we do not need extra things to make us happy. We are wise to be content with the basic necessities in life because we realize life does not consist of the abundance of things we possess. We may have things, but our joy and contentment cannot be in them.

Keeping our thoughts pure and in the will of God is a lifetime battle. We must "fight the good fight of the faith," according to 1 Timothy 6:12. The mind is the battlefield on which we fight. Satan wages war in the realm of our thoughts because he knows that if he controls our thoughts, he controls us and our destinies. As we live our lives and pursue our destinies, there will be times of fighting the good fight of faith, and if we win enough battles, we will win the war. We already know what the end of the Bible says, about whom the winner is.

To be aggressive is to be a fighter. Just as the apostle Paul said he fought the good fight of faith (see also 2 Timothy 4:7), so he instructed his young disciple Timothy to "fight the good fight" in 1 Timothy 6:12. In the same way, we should fight the good fight of faith in our daily lives as we struggle against spiritual enemies in high places and in our own minds and hearts. One part of fighting the good fight of faith is the ability to recognize our enemy. As long as we are passive, Satan will torment us. Nothing is going to change about our situation if all we do is sit and wish things were different. We have to take action. Too often we do not move against the enemy when he comes against us with discouragement, fear, doubt, or guilt. We just draw back into a corner somewhere and let him beat us up. We believe his lies when we should stand against them with the truth of God's Word. You and I are not supposed to be punching bags for the devil; instead, we are called to be fighters and respond aggressively to his attacks. The devil tries to trick us into fighting with others around us. But God wants us to forget all the junk that Satan stirs up within us to get us offended toward other people. Instead, He wants us to fight against the spiritual enemies who try to war over our lives and steal our peace and joy. Take Paul's words to heart. Lay hold of the eternal life you have been called to receive and fight the good fight of faith.

**Study Questions:**

1. Christians are often accused of being narrow-minded in regards to our belief that Jesus is the only way to salvation. How do 1 Timothy 2:5 and John 14:6 confirm this belief is correct?

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2. Paul wants Timothy to remind the brethren about what will happen in the latter days. What does 1 Timothy 4:1-3 forewarn us about the last days?

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3. We have confidence in knowing that if God calls us to do something, He will give us the ability to do it. How do 1 Timothy 1:12 and Philippians 4:13 testify to this promise?

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4. List the requirements found in 1 Timothy chapter 3 that are common for both bishops (vv. 1-7) and deacons (vv. 8-13).

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5. We are warned that the love of money is the root of all evil. Write out 1 Timothy 6:6-8 and commit it to memory.

(New Testament Study Guide; 2005; Chuck Smith; Study Questions; page 134)

(Amplified Bible; The Everyday Life Bible; 2005; Joyce Meyers Ministry; Scripture, notes, commentaries; 2005; pages 2002-2005)

**Psa 119:105**  
**Thy word [is] a lamp unto**  
**my feet, and a light unto my path.**



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