

## 1 Timothy 5:3-4

### *Honouring Widows*

Honouring Widows is the Lord's Requirement (Introduction)

Honouring Widows is the Church's Responsibility (v. 3)

Honouring Widows is the Family's Responsibility (v. 4)

## Application of 1 Timothy 5:3-4

1. In what way has the plight of widows changed in our context compared with that of 1<sup>st</sup> Century Ephesus? How does this affect the application of Paul's words today?
2. Consider other references in the OT that describe God's heart for widows and His requirement for the care of widows (e.g. Ex 22:22-24; Deut 10:17-18; 14:28-29; 24:17-19; 27:19; Job 24:3, 21; Ps 68:5; 146:9; Prov 15:25; Is 1:17; Jer 7:5-7; Ezek 22:6-7; Zech 7:10; Mal 3:5)
3. What responsibility does the church have to "honour widows"? Who and how?
4. When and how should "honour" of our parents/grandparents become tangible, practical, and material?
5. Reflect on the idea that honouring your parents/grandparents is an expression and demonstration of godliness and that we'll grow in godliness through our care toward them.
6. What reason(s) are given in v. 4 for the family's responsibility to care for family members in need?
  - a. How does this serve to challenge and motivate you to honour your parents/grandparents?
7. Help your children show "honour" to their grandparents this week (e.g. call them, write a letter, visit them, make them cookies)
8. How can you teach your children now the importance of caring for you and their grandparents in the future?
9. Can you think of examples (good and bad) of how the church and family members have "honoured widows"? How can you learn from these examples and apply them in your life?

Reading this week: Read 1 Tim 5:3-16

## Sermon Notes for Children (or Children at Heart)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Book</u>	<u>Sermon Main Points</u> <b><i>Honouring Widows</i></b>	<u>Other Bible References:</u>
	- H _____ Widows is the L _____ Requirement (Introduction)	_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
<u>Chapter</u>	- Honouring W _____ is the C _____ Responsibility (v. ____ )	
<u>Verses</u>	- Honouring Widows is the F _____ R _____ (v. _____)	

### Words you heard during the sermon (tally each time)

God/Father	Christ/Jesus/Lord	Care/Caring	Church	Parents	Responsibility	Widow(s)

What is the message about? \_\_\_\_\_

How can you do this? \_\_\_\_\_

What/who can you pray for? \_\_\_\_\_

Draw a picture related to the message: