I TIMOTHY 2; November 14; The Primacy of Prayer

1 What does Paul say should be made for all men?

ANALYSIS:

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2. By praying for kings and those in authority, what result can we look forward to?
3. Who is the one mediator between God and men and what did he do for us?
4. What does the Lord command Christian women to observe?
5. What reasons are given for the commands given to Christian women?

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

Praying is here presented as being of first importance. The four words used for prayer may be progressive as well as comprehensive. "Supplications" suggests there is confident boldness of access to God's presence to make known one's requests. "Prayers" calls attention to the general outgoing of our faith and hope to God alone. "Intercession" points to the rendezvous with our Superior to make request on behalf of another. "Giving of thanks" is possibly the most neglected aspect of praying, especially for those in authority. Without the authority of our government in place, we would face unimaginable terror and wickedness as depraved mankind would give vent to the evil within as has happened in other countries where anarchy has prevailed.

Let us regularly pray for and give thanks to the Lord for our authorities which provide stability to our living conditions and make it possible to live a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.

HELP:

- 1. Supplications, prayers, intercessions and giving of thanks (v 1).
- 2. That we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty (v 2).
- 3. The man Christ Jesus, who gave himself a ransom for all (vs 5-6).
- 4. [1] Adorn themselves in modest apparel, [2] do good works, [3] learn in silence, [4] not to teach (men), [5] nor usury authority over the man (vs 9-12).
- 5. [1] God first formed Adam (as the head), [2] then God made Eve from and for Adam, [3] Adam was not deceived, but the woman was deceived in the garden (vs 13-14).