# FIRST TIMOTHY

## Chapter 3

Here is a trustworthy saying:
Whoever aspires to be an
overseer desires a noble
task.

#### Question

What does above reproach mean?

Elders must not give cause for those outside the church to harm the reputation of the Church. Being above reproach means that no one can honestly bring a charge or accusation against him.

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## 1 Timothy 3: 4-5 (NIV)

He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him, and he must do so in a manner worthy of full respect. (If anyone does not know how to manage his own family, how can he take care of God's church?)

He must not be a recent convert, or he may become conceited and fall under the same judgment as the devil.

#### Question

What was the primary sin of satan?

A recent convert who finds himself in a position of authority in the Church (for which he has no previous training, experience or spiritual maturity) will be in danger of being blinded by pride.

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What is the "devil's trap"?

## 2 Timothy 2: 26 (NASB)

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1 Timothy 3: 11 (KJV)

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# 1 Timothy 3: 12 (NIV)

A deacon must be faithful to his wife and must manage his children and his household well.

# 1 Timothy 3: 13 (NIV)

Those who have served well gain an excellent standing and great assurance in their faith in Christ Jesus.

# 1 Timothy 3: 14-15 (NIV)

Although I hope to come to you soon, I am writing you these instructions so that, if I am delayed, you will know how people ought to conduct themselves in God's household,

# 1 Timothy 3: 14-15 (NIV) which is the church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of the truth.

# 1 Timothy 3: 16 (NIV)

Beyond all question, the mystery **from which true godliness springs** is great:

# 1 Timothy 3: 16 (NIV)

He appeared in the flesh, was vindicated by the Spirit, was seen by angels, was preached among the nations,

was believed on in the world, was taken up in glory.

#### He appeared in the flesh

Jesus Christ is God made visible. The invisible God, becomes visible in human form in Jesus Christ. Godliness takes on human flesh.

# was <u>vindicated</u> by the Spirit

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# James 2: 24 (NIV)

You see that a person is **considered righteous** by what they do and not by faith alone.

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Please turn to:

Romans 1: 1-4

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Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God— the gospel he promised beforehand through his prophets in the Holy Scriptures

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Please turn to:

John 20: 11-14

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Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

#### John 20: 11-14 (NIV)

They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?"

"They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him."

# John 20: 11-14 (NIV)

At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.

# was preached among the nations

After Jesus rose from the dead He revealed Himself to many and those who saw Him were transformed, and they went everywhere proclaiming the risen Christ.

#### was believed on in the world

The evidence for the resurrection was so overwhelming that many people believed in Him and the Church began.

#### was taken up in glory

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But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky?

This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

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# 1 Timothy 4: 2 (NIV)

Such teachings come through hypocritical liars, whose consciences have been seared as with a hot iron.

# 2 Thessalonians 2: 1-3 (NKJV)

Now, brethren, concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to Him, we ask you,

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not to be soon shaken in mind or troubled, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as if from us, as though the day of Christ had come.

# 2 Thessalonians 2: 1-3 (NKJV)

Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

# Deuteronomy 13: 1-3 (NLT)

"Suppose there are prophets among you or those who dream dreams about the future, and they promise you signs or miracles, and the predicted signs or miracles occur.

# Deuteronomy 13: 1-3 (NLT)

If they then say, 'Come, let us worship other gods'—gods you have not known before do not listen to them. The Lord your God is testing you to see if you truly love him with all your heart and soul.

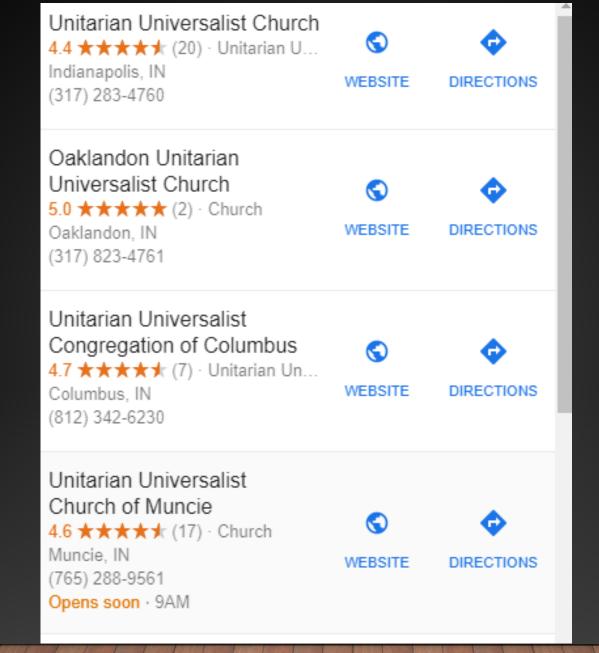
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Serve only the Lord your God and fear him alone. Obey his commands, listen to his voice, and cling to him.

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They forbid people to marry and order them to abstain from certain foods, which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and who know the truth.

# 1 Timothy 4: 4-5 (NIV)

For everything God created is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, because it is consecrated by the word of God and prayer.