

Small Group Sermon Questions for the week of 10/12/25 ~ 1 Timothy 5:1-16

The questions below are discussion starters based on this week's sermon.

Use them to keep your folks engaged with the worship, scripture and each other.

1. How should believers take age, gender and life situation into account in dealing with others in the church? In their family? In the world beyond? Is it different for those in leadership?
2. In Timothy's Ephesus, there were no social safety nets like we have in our culture. How does this affect our reading and application of Paul's advice to Timothy about caring for widows? Who are the truly needy in our situation?
3. Paul counsels Timothy to treat others "with absolute purity" (NIV). How should this advice be implemented in our relationships? In the Church? At work? At home?
4. How are these admonitions particularly crucial to those in helping professions and ministries (pastors, teachers, counselors, medical practitioners, etc.)? What are the risks? How can we help them?
5. Some families have a strong culture of caring for one another—some not so much. How are we, as Christians, called to care for our extended families?
6. What roles does the church have in extending care to those truly in need?