

Guidelines for Feminine Godliness I Tim. 2:9-15

It's better to focus on godly works than on one's wardrobe. 9,10

⌘ Wrong female focus: Distractive wardrobe, 6:17, Isa. 3:16ff., I Pt.3:3
Principle = dress w/modesty, decency, discreetly

Right female focus: I Pt. 3:34, godly character and good works

⌘ How might Paul's list look today because of this principle? Rom. 14:13

⌘ Since 2:1-8 mainly concerns men yet women are also to pray, what should men also realize from 2:9-15?

It's better to focus on one's family than teaching/leading men. 11-15

⌘ Wrong female focus: Seeking to teach / lead men in church settings, 3:14, cf. I Cor. 11:3ff., 14:34,35. Teaching/authority go hand in hand. Teaching other women, children is OK, II Tim. 1:5, 3:14,15, Titus 2:4,5.

⌘ Right female focus: Odd sentence appears to say a focus on the family is protective (save = ???). Compare to save in 4:16 plus similar idea in 5:13-15, Titus 2:5. This focus coupled w/faith, love (1:5, 6:11) holy discretion (in Gk. *discreet* 2x: 2:9, 15) lessens chance of deception.

*Paul is not anti-single; for some women it can be positive, I Cor. 7:21ff. Nor should he be viewed as against women working outside the home, Acts 16:14,15,40, Prov. 31:16,24.



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