



1 Timothy

(2:1-7)

Salvation is for All People

1 Timothy 2:1

**First of all, then, I urge that
supplications, prayers,
intercessions, and
thanksgivings be made for all
people,**

1 Timothy 2:1

1

SUPPLICATIONS: prayers that arise from a sense of deep need

2

INTERCESSIONS: word used in classical Greek as the antonym of *harmartia* ("miss the mark"); hence prayers that center on waiting on God to learn what "hits the mark" (i.e., His will)

1 Timothy 2:1

Richard Baxter (17th Century English Puritan):

“ Oh, if you have the hearts of Christians or of men in you, let them yearn towards your poor ignorant, ungodly neighbors. Alas, there is but a step betwixt them and death and hell; many hundred diseases are waiting ready to seize on them, and if they die unregenerate, they are lost forever. Have you hearts of rock, that cannot pity men in such a case as this? If you believe not the Word of God, and the danger of sinners, why are you Christians yourselves? ”

1 Timothy 2:1

Life Application



What are the things we most often pray for (cf. Matt. 6:21)? How does this verse challenge us to expand our prayer horizons?

1 Timothy 2:2

2 for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.

1 Timothy 2:2

✓ Christians should seek societal conditions favorable to the progress of the gospel

✓ **GODLY**: refers to reverence toward God and the things that are sacred

✓ **DIGNIFIED**: can be translated as "moral earnestness"; cf. 3:8

1 Timothy 2:2

Life Application



How should Christians respond to living in an ungodly society? cf. 1 Pet. 2:13-17

1 Timothy 2:3-4

**3 This is good, and it is
pleasing in the sight of God
our Savior, 4 who desires all
people to be saved and to
come to the knowledge of
the truth.**

1 Timothy 2:3-4

God desires all to be saved



VERSES TO CONSIDER:

IS. 45:22; 55:1

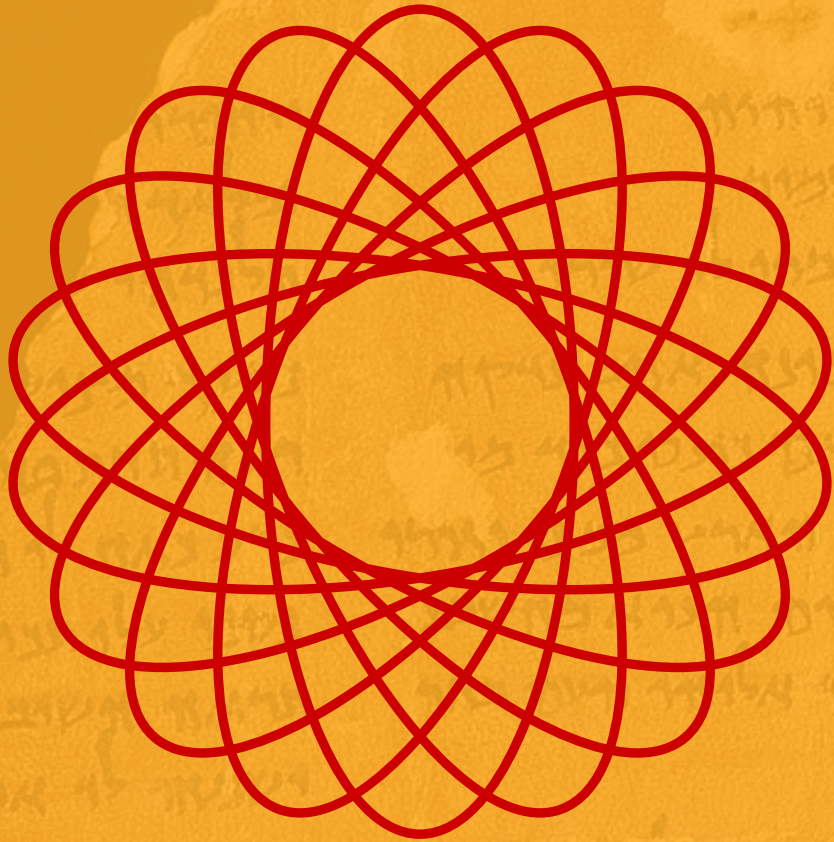
EZEK. 18:23, 32; 33:11

2 PET. 3:9

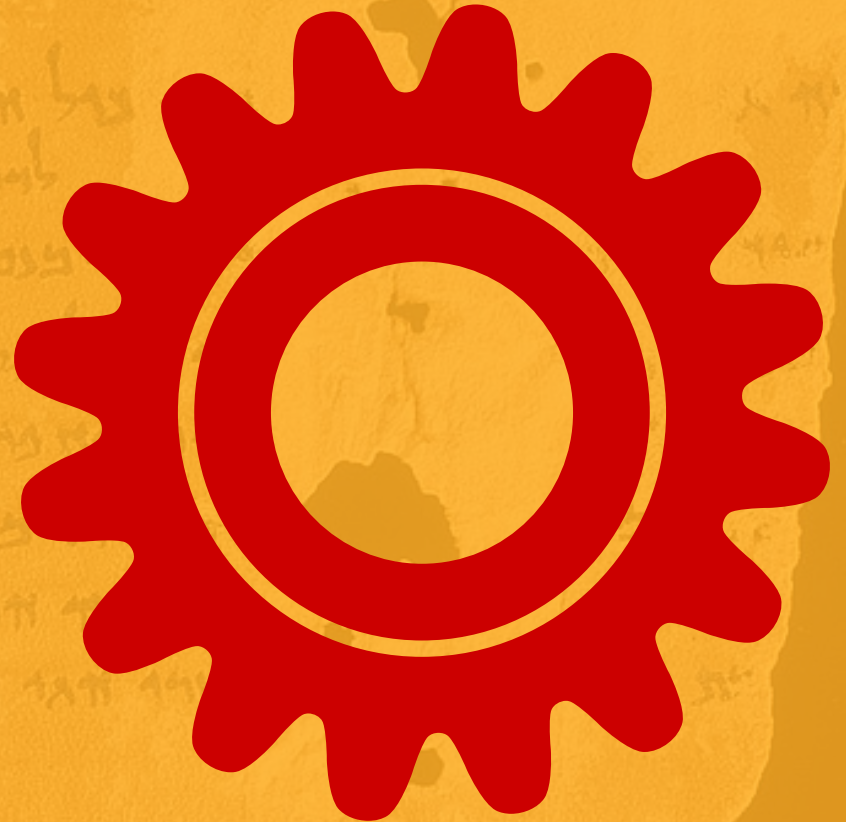
MATT. 23:37

1 Timothy 2:3-4

Why won't all be saved then?



God's *desire*
(thelo)



God's *eternal*
***purpose* (boulomai)**

1 Timothy 2:5

**5 For there is one God, and
there is one mediator
between God and men, the
man Christ Jesus,**

1 Timothy 2:5

Only one God



VERSES TO CONSIDER:

DEUT. 4:35, 39; 6:4

**IS. 43:10; 44:6; 45:5-6, 21-22;
46:9**

1 COR. 8:4, 6

1 Timothy 2:5

One Mediator

GOD



Job 9:33;

Heb. 7:25; 8:6; 9:15; 12:24

1 Timothy 2:6

**6 who gave himself as a
ransom for all, which is the
testimony given at the
proper time.**

1 Timothy 2:6

Christ our ransom

RANSOM: a purchase price to secure someone's freedom



VERSES TO CONSIDER:

TIT. 2:14

MATT. 20:28

1 PET. 1:18-19

REV. 5:9

1 Timothy 2:7

7 For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.



1 Timothy 2:7

Life Application

How does this unit (2:1-7) challenge us to be more aware and appreciative of God's program of salvation across the world?