Questions on 1 Timothy chapter 5

1. Is the elder spoken of here an older man or an officer in the church? How is Timothy instructed to treat an older man and a younger man? Verse 1.

2. What person in the New Testament would be an example of how to treat his mother and sisters? Verse 2. (See John 19:26 and Matthew 12:49)

3. What does the word “honor” mean? What is a “widow indeed”? Verse 3.

4. What is the duty of children or nephews (grandchildren) toward their widowed mother? Verse 4.

5. What are the three qualities of a widow indeed? What is the spiritual state of a widow who lives in pleasure? Verse 5-6.

6. What was the expected result of Timothy’s charge? Verse 7.

7. What is Paul’s assessment of those who will not provide for his own house? Who is under consideration in this context? Verse 8.

8. What is meant by a widow being “enrolled” or “taken into the number”? Verse 9.

9. What are the eight qualifications of a widow who is to be enrolled or taken into the number? Verses 9-10.

10. Why are widows younger than sixty excluded? What does it mean “to wax wanton”? Verse 11.

11. What is the younger widows’ first faith or pledge they rejected which brought “damnation”? Verse 12.

12. What is the tendency of younger widows who have cast off their first faith? Verse 13.

13. What is Paul’s solution to the problem in verses 11-13? Verse 14.

14. What is urgent about Paul’s instructions and warnings? Verse 15.

15. What is Paul’s solution for those widows who are not widows indeed, but are not married? Verse 16.

16. What is the “double honor” for the elders who rule well? Verse 17.

17. What does the ox get from his work? What does a laborer receive? What should a faithful man of God receive from his efforts? Verse 18.

18. What should a young preacher do when criticisms of elders come as they inevitably do? Verse 19.

19. What should be done when an accusation has been properly established? Verse 20.

20. What are some things that could cause an evangelist to act by preference or partiality? Verse 21.

21. What would the context of this passage lead us to understand about the charge to “lay hands suddenly on no man”? Verse 22.

22. How does this verse show the reverse of drinking wine as a beverage? Verse 23.

23. What bearing could this verse have upon the general subject of this section--the eldership? Verse 24.

24. In this verse, what cannot be hid and why? Verse 25.