



Lugogo Baptist Church

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY, 11th July 2021

2021 Theme: Living a life on Mission (Matthew 28:19-20)

June and July Theme: Characteristics of Disciples, Lessons from 1 Timothy

Topic: Disciples Care for the Needy (1 Timothy 5:1-8, 16)

Ice Breaker: *"The Christian should never worry about tomorrow or give sparingly because of a possible future need. Only the present moment is ours to serve the Lord, and tomorrow may never come"*- George Muller.

- What do you think this quote means?
- Do agree with this quote? Give a reason for your answer.

Study Questions

1. **1 Timothy 5:1-2,**
 - a. How was Timothy to exhort and treat the members of his congregation?
 - b. Why do you think it is important for Timothy to treat his congregation in this way?
 - c. Share practical examples of how we can treat each other as Paul recommends for Timothy
2. **1 Timothy 5:3-4 & 16,**
 - a. What does it mean to give recognition to widows who are really in need? Give examples where possible.
 - b. Why does Paul encourage family members to take care of the widows within their families?
 - c. If family is to take care of its needy, what do you think would be the role of the Church towards those in need?
3. **1 Timothy 5:7-8,**
 - a. Why do you think Paul puts such a strong emphasis on the Christian's role in taking care of their family?
 - b. How is taking care of our relatives a confirmation of our faith?
4. In the early church, widows were amongst the most needy and vulnerable people
 - a. Which people do we see as vulnerable and needy in our society today?
 - b. How can you contribute to the Church's response to the needy and vulnerable we see today?
5. What is the main idea emphasized in these passages?
 - a. James 1:27
 - b. Matthew 25:31-40
 - c. Matthew 6:1-4
 - d. Isaiah 58:6-8