God's People Please God When...?

- Some teaching false doctrines are dealt with (1:3)
 - The goal of this command is love, which comes from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith...

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• The Law is used to point us to the gospel of salvation in Christ by God's grace and mercy through faith (1:15)

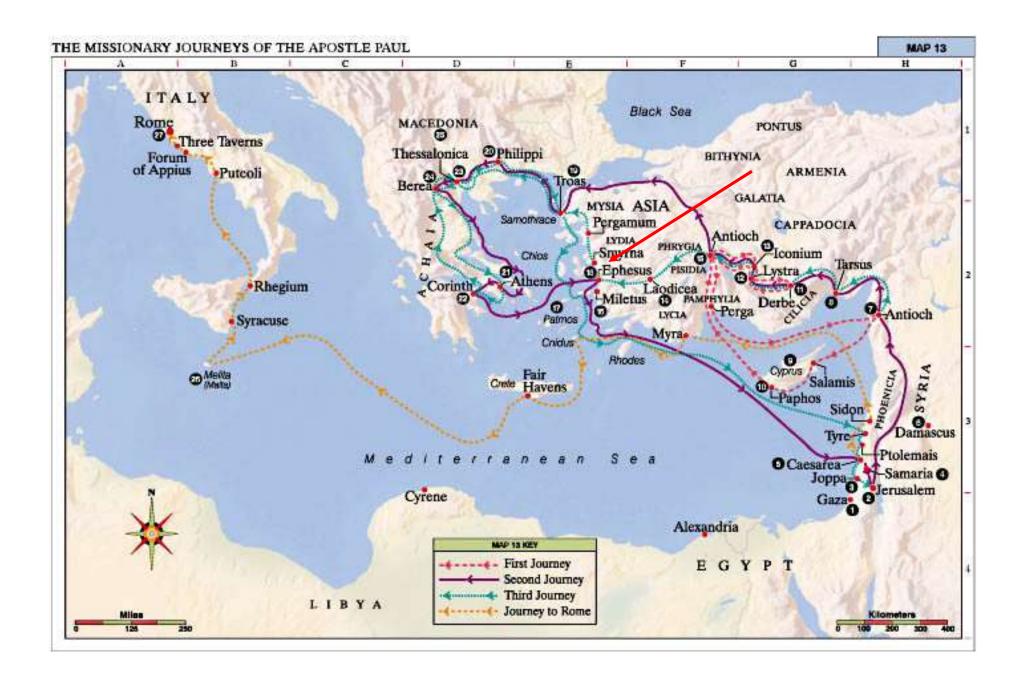
- 1 Tim 2:1 I exhort <3870> (5719) therefore <3767>, that, first <4412> of all <3956>, supplications <1162>, prayers <4335>, intercessions <1783>, and giving of thanks <2169>, be made <4160> (5745) for <5228> all <3956> men <444>;
- 2 For <5228> kings <935>, and <2532> for all <3956> that are <5607> (5752) in <1722> authority <5247>; that <2443> we may lead <1236> (5725) a quiet <2263> and <2532> peaceable <2272> life <979> in <1722> all <3956> godliness <2150> and <2532> honesty <4587>.
- 3 For <1063> this <5124> is good <2570> and <2532> acceptable <587> in the sight <1799> of God <2316> our <2257> Saviour <4990>;
- 4 Who <3739> will have <2309> (5719) all <3956> men <444> to be saved <4982> (5683), and <2532> to come <2064> (5629) unto <1519> the knowledge <1922> of the truth <225>.
- 5 For <1063> there is one <1520> God <2316>, and <2532> one
 <1520> mediator <3316> between God <2316> and <2532> men
 <444>, the man <444> Christ <5547> Jesus <2424>;
- 6 Who <3588> gave <1325> (5631) himself <1438> a ransom <487> for <5228> all <3956>, to be testified <3142> in due <2398> time <2540>.

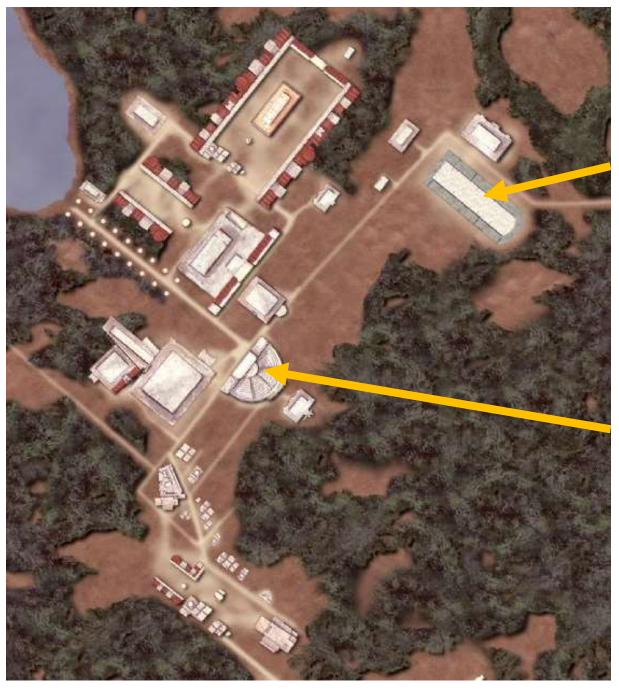
- 1 Tim 2:8 I want men everywhere to lift up holy hands in prayer, without anger or disputing.
- 9 I also want women to dress modestly, with decency and propriety, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or expensive clothes,
- 10 but with good deeds, appropriate for women who profess to worship God.

- 11 A woman should learn in quietness and full submission.
- 12 I do not permit a woman to teach or to have authority over a man; she must be silent.
- · 13 For Adam was formed first, then Eve.
- 14 And Adam was not the one deceived; it was the woman who was deceived and became a sinner.
- 15 But women will be saved through childbearing—if they continue in faith, love and holiness with propriety.

INTERPRETIVE STRUCTURE

- · Created male and female (Gen 1,2)
- Fallen males and females (Gen 3)
- · OT: God's laws & man's sin
- · Jesus: redeeming men and women for Himself
- Paul: message of God's redeeming men & women to be children of God in the Body of Christ
 - Doctrine & principles for all believers
 - First context is the intended audience
 - Correlation to Acts history & Ephesus letter
 - Applied then in their situation and culture
 - Carefully brought forward to now





Temple of
Artemis/Diana
One of seven
ancient wonders

Amphitheater (25000 people)





Culture at Ephesus

- Ephesus was a center of paganism governed spiritually by the female deity Artemis, whom the Romans called Diana. The cult of Artemis taught the superiority of the female and advocated female domination of the male.
- It espoused a doctrine of feminine procreation teaching that this goddess was able to bring forth offspring without male involvement. The cult was characterized by sexual perversion, fertility rites, endless myths, and elaborate genealogies traced through female rather than male bloodlines

It pleases God when we..

- · Are praying..! (ch 2: v1-2)
 - For all without exception
- All come to Him for salvation (ch 2: v3)
- · And are learning His Truth (ch 2: v3)

It pleases God when men..(v8)

- · Pray!
- · With holy hands uplifted
- · Without wrath or dissension

It pleases God when women..

- · Are prepared appropriately (v 9,10)
 - in reverence & good works
 - appropriate for those who profess to worship God
 - not with....

General principle	Principle/corrective	Interpretive comments	Possible relevant cultural context
11 A woman should learn	11 in quietness and full submission.	same greek word in ch2:v2, v11, and v 12	Cult of Artemis/Diana false teaching with political power advocating female dominance over the male
	12 I do not permit a woman to teach or to have authority over a man; she must be silent.	authentein, 1× in scripture, definition: authorial power over	
	13 For Adam was formed first, then Eve.	formed=created/instructed	False teaching was that Eve, the mother of all, was the progenitor of the human race.
	14 And Adam was not the one deceived; it was the woman who was deceived and became a sinner.	Both sinned of course. Eve was the one who did not heed what God had taught.	Eve was the 'illuminator' of mankind because she was the first to receive 'true knowledge' from the Serpent, whom Gnostics saw as the 'savior' and revealer of truth.
	15 But women will be saved through childbearing—if they continue in faith, love and holiness with propriety.	A correction to someone teaching something opposite. Their Christian femaleness will be so characterized.	It espoused a doctrine of feminine procreation teaching that this goddess was able to bring forth offspring without male involvement.

It pleases God when women..

- · Are learning God's truth (v 11-15)
 - in quietness in submission to God's teachers
 - · Constrained from teaching and "authentein" over men
 - · So as not to fall like Eve did
 - so she will be saved by faith, with motherhood

How do we endeavor to please God at BFA

- From 1 Timothy to date:
- · When men and women are saved through faith in Christ and join His family
- When we are a praying community who draw near to God for all
- · When we are learning God's Word, with obedience to our Lord in all He asks
- Add your personal learnings here...

How do we endeavor to please God at BFA

- Some additional relevant to our topic today
- · Spiritual giftedness of all Christians
- · Ministry leadership by God's calling
- · Redemptive men and women in all relationships
- Local church body led by elders and gifted men and women in all ministries
- Preserving the unity of the Spirit when there are differences of Biblical understanding along the way to heaven
- Other local church and your personal additions can be added here!!