

Keeping the Faith

1 Timothy 1:17-2:8

I. The Priority of Prayer (vs. 1-2)

A. The Manner of Prayer (vs. 1)

1. *Petitioning – “entreaties”*
2. *Personalizing – “prayers”*
3. *Pleading – “petitions”*
4. *Praising – “thanksgiving”*

B. The Matter of Prayer (vs. 1-2)

1. *People in General – vs. 1, “on behalf of ALL men”*
2. *People in Government – vs. 2, “for kings and all who are in authority.”*

II. The Purpose of Prayer (vs. 4-6)

A. The Desire of God – vs. 4, “who desires all men to be saved”

B. The Distinctiveness of Jesus – vs. 5, “For there is one God and mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus,”

III. The Product of Prayer (vs. 2, 3)

A. It Brings Peace to the Believer – vs. 2, “so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity.”

B. It Brings Pleasure to God – vs. 3, “This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior.”