

Guard the Truth
A Gospel for the World
1 Timothy 2:1-7

I. The Church should pray for all people...(1-2)

"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." (Matthew 9:37-38)

II. because God's desire concerns all people...(3-4)

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." (John. 3:16)

III. and Christ's death concerns all people...(5-6)

"Worthy are you to take the scroll and open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation." (Revelation 5:9)

IV. so our proclamation must concern all people. (7)

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." (Acts 1:8)

Point to Ponder: We have a gospel for the world. So, how does our prayer life reflect God's purpose? For whom might we be praying; and to what end?

Next Week:

Next Sunday morning we continue in our sermon series entitled *Guard the Truth* by considering **1 Timothy 2:8-15 Men and Women of the Church.**

