**Sermon Notes**

**Caring for Widows,**

**A Window to the Heart of Church**

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**1 Timothy 5:3-16**

**The way that a church cares for its w\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ member is a Window to the H\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of a Church**

1 Thess. 5:14

**Help the W\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**How we do that?**

**Caring for Widows 1 Tim. 5:3-8**

For R\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Widows only.

F\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ responsibility.

G\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ widows only.

**Widows in M\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 1 Tim. 9-16**

O\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Widows: vv. 9-10

*List?* What List?

Three Qualifications

A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,

F\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and

Good W\_\_\_\_\_\_. Examples, Not a Checklist!

**Younger Widows:** vv. 11-16

Don’t Devolve into a D\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Life,

One that is Meaningless and S\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from God.

***Live on for the G\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God!***

**Four Areas of Application:**

**1. Church charity is not a substitute for**

**P\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ R\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (5:4).**

2 Thess. 3:10-13

Matthew 6:33

**2. Godliness can be the r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_of Suffering and grief but it is not a\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

2 Cor. 4:7-18

1 Tim. 6:6

Hebrews 12:11

**3. The church cannot support \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in need,**

**nor should we expect it to.**

Sometimes helping is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ helping.

Our o\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ -functioning

may enable another’s u\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_-functioning.

*Weekly we are asked to help.*

*We Just do not have the resources to help everyone!*

D\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

What will be the long-term o\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?

What is the p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?

**4. A Kingdom focused life is an engaged life.**

1 Peter 4:10-11

What is the most loving and k\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ thing

one p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has ever done for another?

John 15:12-13

**Communion.**

A W\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

1 Cor. 27-34

An I\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

1 Cor. 11:23-25