





Godliness

Definition of Godliness

1 Timothy 6:5

Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself.

GOD'LINESS, n. *from godly*. Piety; belief in God, and reverence for his character and laws.

1. A religious life; a careful observance of the laws of God and performance of religious duties, proceeding from love and reverence for the divine character and commands; christian obedience.

2. Revelation; the system of christianity.

Background

A. A descriptive part of our lives

1 Timothy 2:2

For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.

B. God the source

2 Peter 1:3

According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:

Background

C. An essential part of Christian growth

2 Peter 1:5-7

5 And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;

6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;

7 And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.

2 Peter 3:11

Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness,

I. The Form of Godliness

2 Timothy 3:5

Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

Not Fake

II. The Mystery of Godliness

1 Timothy 3:16

And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

Based On Christ

III. The Doctrine of Godliness

1 Timothy 6:3

If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness;

The Truth From God Alone

IV. The Profession of Godliness

1 Timothy 2:10

**But (which becometh women professing godliness) with
good works.**

The Believer's Confession

V. The Practice of Godliness

1 Timothy 4:7

But refuse profane and old wives' fables, and exercise thyself rather unto godliness.

The Believer's Walk

VI. The Pursuit of Godliness

1 Timothy 6:11

But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.

The Believer's Objective

