The Eternal Aim of Our Living and Our Praying (1 Timothy 2:3-4)

3 For this [is]
good and acceptable
in the sight of God our Savior,
4 Who desires all men
to be saved
and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

1. *Paul's _____ to What He Has Just Written: "This"*

a. Ongoing prayer being made
b. For all men (including leaders)
c. Towards preferable living conditions
d. Towards living in good-awe and gravity

2. *Our _____ for "This": "Is good and acceptable"*

a. Good
b. Acceptable (pleasing)

3. *The _____ of "This":*

a. Before God *(in the sight of, in the presence of God)*

b. The Savior of us

1 Timothy 1:1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ, by the commandment of **God our Savior** and the Lord Jesus Christ, our hope

2 Timothy 1:8 Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner, but share with me in the sufferings for the gospel according to the power of **God**, 9 **who has saved us** and called [us] with a holy calling…

Titus 3:4-6 But when the kindness and the love of **God our Savior** toward man appeared, 5 not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy **He saved us**, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, 6 whom He poured out on us abundantly through **Jesus Christ our Savior**,

1) What we've received (salvation)

2) What we must share with others…

4. *God's _____ for "This": Who all humans He is desiring (~)*

a. Who is desiring (~)

b. All humans *(anthrōpos) – God is desiring all men to be saved!*

Acts 17:30 … God … now commands **all men** everywhere to repent,

Acts 22:15 [God's to Saul/Paul through Ananias] For you will be His witness to **all men** of what you have seen and heard.

Romans 5:18 Therefore, as through one man's offense *judgment came* to **all men** resulting in condemnation, even so through one Man's righteous act *the free gift came* to **all men**, resulting in justification of life.

1 Timothy 2:1 … be made for **all men**

1 Timothy 4:10 … because we trust in the living God, who is *the* Savior of **all men**, especially of those who believe.

Titus 2:11 For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to **all men**

John 1:29 [John] The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of **the world**!

John 3:16-17 For God so loved **the world** that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. 17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn **the world**, but that **the world** through Him might be saved.

John 6:33 "For the bread of God is He who … gives life to **the world**."

2 Cor 5:19 that is, that God was in Christ reconciling **the world** to Himself, …

1 John 2:2 And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for **the whole world**.

John 20:31 but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

Titus 3:4 But when … the love of God our Savior toward man appeared,

c. to be saved *(aorist passive – something done for us)*

Acts 4:12 "Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

Acts 15:11 "But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved in the same manner as they."

2 Thes. 2:10 and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

d. And to come to knowledge of truth. (x)

John 3:20 "For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed.

John 12:46 I have come as a light into the world, that whoever believes in Me should not abide in darkness.

2 Timothy 2:25 in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth,

2 Timothy 3:7 always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

Acts 26:18 `to open their eyes, [in order] to turn [them] from darkness to light, and [from] the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me.'