1 Timothy 2:1–7 (NIV 1984)

Exhortation

2:1 I urge, then, →

 first of all,

 → that requests,

 prayers,

 intercession and

 thanksgiving be made for everyone—

2:2 for kings and all those in authority,

 that we may live peaceful and quiet lives

 in all godliness and holiness.

Reason #1

2:3 This is good, and

Reason #2

 pleases God our Savior,

2:4 who wants all men to be saved and

 to come to a knowledge of the truth.

Reason #3

2:5 For

 there is one God

 and

Reason #4

 one mediator between God and men,

 the man Christ Jesus,

2:6 who gave himself as a ransom for all men—

 the testimony given in its proper time.

 *the testimony given in its proper time.*

Reason #5

2:7 And for this purpose I was appointed a herald and

 an apostle

—I am telling the truth, I am not lying—

 ~~and~~ a teacher of the true faith to the Gentiles.