

Antidote for Treason: *Eusebeia* and the Themes of 1 Timothy

Preliminary Observations:

- Date and authorship of 1 Timothy
- Significance of *Eusebeia* and need for clarification

Eusebeia and Its Significance

1. Inadequacy of English translations in 1 Timothy
2. *Eusebeia* as foundational virtue in the G/R world
3. *Eusebeia* as antidote for treason

Celibacy and Wealthy Lifestyle as Subversive Acts in the Early Roman Empire

1. Marriage legislation
2. Sumptuary laws
3. Household Code (husband/wife, parent/child, master/slave, use of wealth)
4. Dangers for the Christian community in 1 Timothy

The Apologetic Function of 1 Timothy and Its Community

Suggestions for Further Study in 1 Timothy

- ήσυχιον βίον – έν ήσυχία – είναι έν ήσυχία (tranquil life, tranquility) 1 Tim 2:2, 11-12
- έν ήσυχία μανθανέτω (learn in quietness, with tranquility) 1 Tim 2:11
- άσεβής (one accused of treason) and διάβολος (informer, accuser) in Roman courts 1 Tim 1:9; 3:6-7
- αύθεντείν άνδρός Clarify meaning in early empire; is this figurative? literal? 1 Tim 2:12
- function of Adam/Eve; significance of Eve's deception 1 Tim 2:13-14
- resolution of singular-plural: *she* shall be saved if *they* remain . . . 1 Tim 2:15
- σωθήσεται διά τής τεκνογονίας and possible connections to Artemis (saved through the childbearing) 1 Tim 2:15
- *pietas* //εύσέβεια in early empire and implications for reading 1 Timothy in its setting