

## TAKE CARE OF FAMILY

**1 Timothy 5: 8** “ *If anyone does not provide for his relatives, and especially for his immediate family, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever*”

**1 Timothy 6:1-2** “ *all who are under the yoke of slavery should consider their masters worthy of full respect, so that God’s name and our teaching may not be slandered. 2 Those who have believing masters are not to show less respect for them because they are brothers. Instead, they are to serve them even better, because those who benefit from their service are believers, and dear to them. These are the things you are to teach and urge on them*”.

God commands us to look out for our brothers and sisters and our immediate family. Why should the business world be any different?

There are great companies that are where they are because they were a tight knit group that looked out for each other.

If God blesses those who look out and care for their immediate family why wouldn't He do the same for those companies that are in the family of believers that want to look out for each other.

Who would give a loaf of bread to a stranger when your mother or sister is in need? Yet we will give our business to a non-Christian business and not think twice about it. Family looking out for family is a win win situation. This is not to say that we don't look out for the stranger but it is to say we look out for family first.

As a business and a believer we have the perfect opportunity to help other businesses that are in the family of believers. Not only do we have the opportunity we have the responsibility to do so.

At the same time we are to be examples of Christ in all that we do and say and through our life and the life of the business to lead others to a life worthy of Jesus Christ.

And we can learn so much from each other:

**Prov.27: 17** *“as iron sharpens iron so one man sharpens another.”*

“Some regard private enterprise as if it were a predatory tiger to be shot. Others look upon it as a cow that they can milk. Only a handful see it for what it really is -- the strong horse that pulls the whole cart.” *Winston Churchill*

Instead of the strong horse lets make it a strong family of believers!