

“Great indeed, we confess, is the
mystery of godliness:

He was manifested in the flesh,
vindicated by the Spirit,
seen by angels,
proclaimed among the nations,
believed on in the world,
taken up in glory.”

— *1 Timothy 3:16*

1 TIMOTHY 1:12–20

THE MAIN POINT OF 1 TIMOTHY 1:12–20

*Every Christian leader—and every Christian—
should be marked by continual praise to God
for the gospel and by continual vigilance
to never let it go.*

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“The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.”

— *1 Timothy 1:15*

WHAT IS GOD LIKE? 1 TIMOTHY 1:17

- God is *sovereign* – “the King”
- God is “*eternal*” – without beginning or end.
- God is “*immortal*” – “not liable to decay”
- God is “*invisible*” – “God is spirit” (John 4:24).
- God is *unique* – “the only God”

“Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.”

— Walter Smith (1867), based on 1 Timothy 1:17

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1. Christians, we must live with continual thanks and praise to God for his overflowing grace in Christ Jesus (verses 12–17).
2. Christians, we must live with continual vigilance to keep our faith strong and conscience clean in order to avoid “shipwreck” (verses 18–20).

“...holding on to faith and a good conscience...”

— *1 Timothy 1:19 NIV*

“...holding faith and a good conscience.
By rejecting this, some have made
shipwreck of their faith.”

— *1 Timothy 1:19*