

## **Sermon Discussion Questions**

### **1 Timothy 5:3-16**

#### **Careful Charity**

1. Why does Paul take great care to make sure that only those widows with true needs and trusted character receive financial assistance?
2. How can some Christians be careless with their charity?
3. What is the difference between compassion and empathy? What is the danger of allowing empathy instead of compassion drive our charity?
4. How can you practice careful charity and not become cynical towards the needs of the poor?
5. What are some ways we can serve the widows in our congregation?