

The Gospel-Shaped Church: Paul's Letters to Timothy
The Architecture of God's House
1 Timothy 3:14–16 | Andrew Belli

Thesis: As God's house, the church must live godly lives consistent with the gospel of salvation in Christ, which we are required to proclaim and protect.

I. The Church's Nature and Purpose (14–15)

- A. Our Conduct Must Reflect Who God Has Called Us to Be:
- B. We Are the House of the Living God
 - 1. His temple
 - 2. His household
- C. We Are the Custodians of God's Treasure
 - 1. A pillar to uphold the gospel
 - 2. A bulwark to protect the gospel

II. The Church's One Foundation: Christ (16)

- A. Jesus Unlocks the Great Mystery of Godliness
- B. Jesus Reveals the Salvation Plan of God
 - 1. Incarnation – Christ manifested in the flesh
 - 2. Vindication – Christ confirmed by the Spirit
 - 3. Exaltation – Christ presented to and celebrated by heavenly beings
 - 4. Evangelization – Christ proclaimed among all nations
 - 5. Salvation – Christ believed on in the world
 - 6. Coronation – Christ glorified as King of heaven and earth