

AM Sermon Notes

Text: *1st Timothy 2:5-6*

Title: “*We Need a Middle Man!*”

Central Truth: The good news of Jesus’ saving death which brings us back to God, is to be shared with the world.

I. v. 5a: Monotheism

Monotheistic theology - the belief in one God, was one of the main characteristics that separated the Jews from other ancient cultures. The ancient Egyptians, Babylonians, Greeks and Romans were all polytheistic.

II. v.5b: Mediator

KJV, NIV, NASB, ESV **mediator** (Greek - *mesitēs*) It is a compound of the words “*middle*” and “*to go*”. Literally it means a middle man or a go-between. It is a person who intervenes between two people either to restore peace or ratify a covenant. Being both fully God (*c.f. John 1:1*) and fully man makes Jesus unique!

III.v. 6: Mission

Ransom - this compound word speaks of both substitution and the paying of a price to set free a prisoner. **For** - this little preposition means “*for the sake of*”, “*on behalf of*”, “*instead of*”. Jesus did not just pay the ransom price to set us free from sin, but He also became a substitute in our place!

KJV - **due time, proper time** - this speaks of a special or particular opportunity or season of time. Jesus’ offer of salvation if for all the world!
