## Series "Order In The Church" "What Must Be Taught" Titus 2:1-10 Study-4

## Titus 1 – Godliness In The Church Titus 2 – Godliness In The Individual And The Home

**Thought Of Our Passage:** God Is Concerned About Belief, Character And Conduct Of His Believer's, So That The Word Would Not Be Dishonored.

<u>1. Verse 1 – Sound Saints</u> <u>2. Verses 2-4 – Older Saints</u> <u>3. Verses 4-8 – Younger Saints</u> <u>4. Verses 9-10 – Servant Saints</u>

## 1. Verse 1 – Sound Saints:

Titus 2:1

Titus 1:5

Titus 1:4-9 – Paul has just instructed Titus to set in spiritual leaders.

Silence The False Teachers – Titus 1:10-11

In Contrast, Titus Is Instructed To Speak – "speak the things"

"things (Behavior) which are fitting for sound doctrine." (Belief)

Titus 1:14

The Gospel changes lives. Romans 1:16

John 17:17

Titus 2:2-10 – Similar to Ephesians 5:21-6:9; Colossians 3:18-25

## 2. Verses 2-4 – Older Saints:

Titus 2:2

Verse 2 – "Older Men": Older men – Aged men of the congregation.

# 4 Characteristics:

- "are to be temperate," (sober) "unmixed, in thought, word and act."
- "dignified," "gravity, serious, honorable; that which invites respect and reverence."
- **3.** "sensible," (Temperate) "right-minded, being well-balanced, properly regulated mind, a person discreet and prudent."

Pastors – 1 Timothy 3:2

4. "sound" – "sound in health without internal weakness"; "in faith," – (Relation To God) "strong and vigorous in their personal Christian truth"

**"in love," –** (Relation To Others) "tender and mellow; the measure of how much we have grown in grace and knowledge of God." John 13:34

**"in perseverance."** – (Relation To Oneself) "brave patience; endures the trials and tribulations of life without losing heart or courage." James 5:7-8

Verses 3-4 – "Older Women": Titus 2:3

"Older women" - Only time in the NT - "old woman, aged woman."

**"reverent"** – Only time in the NT – "as befitting or becoming sacred persons, Priest-like, holiness"; **"in their behavior,"** – "demeanor"

# 3 Characteristics: (2 Negative, 1 Positive)

- "not malicious gossips" false accusers; 38X NT, Greek word Diabolos; get the word "devil"; "one speaking evil of or making accusations against others." 1 Timothy 3:11
- "nor enslaved to much wine," The tense denotes "the state of being enslaved." 1 Timothy 3:8
- **3. "teaching what is good," –** "teachers of good things, teaching that which is noble and attractive by precept and example."

Titus 2:4

"encourage" – "teach, restore one to his senses, make to be soberminded." Titus 2:4

# 7 Characteristics:

- 1. "to love their husbands," Love "affectionate towards her husband, fond of one's husband, to be a husband lover."
- "to love their children," "affectionate towards her children, fond of one's children"

Titus 2:5

- 3. "to be sensible," (discreet) "chaste, self-controlled; they are to be balanced in actions and judgment, discreet in all of their relationships."
- **4.** "**pure**," (decent) "purity in thought, in word and deed; habitual self-restraint"; Hints of sexual restraints. Proverbs 31:10-31
- **5.** "workers at home," (Domesticated) "keepers at home"; The opposite of being that of idleness. 1 Timothy 5:13-14

Proverbs 31:27

- 6. "kind," "gentle and considerate, as she dispenses all that is good and beneficial in the home."
- "being subject to their own husbands," (Guided By Her Husband) "submitting yourselves to their own husbands."

Titus 2:6 – "Likewise urge the young men to be sensible;" – "soberminded, self-controlled"; A term that is mentioned 5X, Titus 1:8; 2:2, 4, 5.

This is made possible through the new birth. Contrast with Titus 1:10.

Verses 7-8 – Titus's Personal Example: Titus 2:7

"in all things show yourself to be an example" – 1 Corinthians 11:1

Matthew 23:3

"in all things" – example is comprehensive, both his <u>conduct</u> and his <u>teaching</u>.

"of good deeds," – "activities he is to set the example."

"with purity in doctrine," - (Soundness) "free from taint."

"dignified," – (Sincerity) "seriousness, gravity, appropriate to the nature of the sacred message."

Titus 2:8

"sound" – healthy, which is opposed to unhealthy teaching of the false teachers.

Psalm 39:1

# 4. Verses 9-10 – Servant Saints:

Titus 2:9

Verse 9 – Attitudes: "Urge bondslaves to be subject to their own masters in everything,"

Subject - "to place oneself under, to be obedient, to be subordinate."

"to be well-pleasing," - "fully agreeable and acceptable"

Verses – 9-10 Actions: "not argumentative," – "to dispute, refuse, answer again, contradict, deny, speak against."

Titus 2:10

"not pilfering," - "theft, to keep back, to retain, to keep far away from"

"but showing all good faith" – "show themselves faithful and trustworthy in every matter entrusted to them."

"so that they will adorn" – "to ornament"; "the doctrine of God our Savior in every respect."

# Application:

- 1. False Teachers Were To Be Silenced But Titus In Contrast Was To Speak The Things Which Are Fitting For Sound Doctrine.
- 2. Older Men Must Be Sober, Dignified, Sensible And Sound So That They Might Model The Balanced Life, And Keeping The Steady Course.

- 3. Older Women Are To Be Priest-Like, So That They Can Train The Younger Women In Domestic And Spiritual Life.
- 4. As Bondslaves Of Jesus, We Must Maintain Godly Attitudes And Actions Which Can Bring Luster To The Truth That God Is Our Savior.