

Titus 2:1-15 **Personal advise to Titus**

Things proper for sound doctrine

¹ But as for you, speak the things which are proper for sound doctrine:

² that the older men be sober, reverent, temperate, sound in faith, in love, in patience;

³ the older women likewise, that they be reverent in behavior, not slanderers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things-- ⁴ that they admonish the young women to love their husbands, to love their children, ⁵ to be discreet, chaste, homemakers, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be blasphemed.

⁶ Likewise exhort the young men to be sober-minded,

Be a personal example

⁷ in all things showing yourself to be a pattern of good works; in doctrine showing integrity, reverence, incorruptibility, ⁸ sound speech that cannot be condemned, that one who is an opponent may be ashamed, having nothing evil to say of you.

Bond-servants

⁹ Exhort bondservants to be obedient to their own masters, to be well pleasing in all things, not answering back, ¹⁰ not pilfering, but showing all good fidelity, that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Savior in all things.

Grace of God teaches

¹¹ For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men,

¹² teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age,

¹³ looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,

¹⁴ who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.

¹⁵ Speak these things, exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no one despise you.

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Facts Revealed:

Things proper for sound doctrine [Titus 2:1-6]

✠ Paul's Special instruction for Titus:

✠ Speak things proper for sound doctrine:

✧ **Older men** in the Church need to be; sober (serious), reverent, temperate (moderate, reasonable, restrained, impartial, pleasant), sound in the faith, in love, and in patience.

✧ **Older women** in the Church need to be; reverent in behavior, and teachers of good things, they must not be, slanderers, or given to much wine.

✧ **Older women** need to teach the **young women** to love their husbands, to love their children, to be discreet, chaste, homemakers, good, and obedient to their own husbands. The goal is that the Word of God may not be blasphemed

✧ Misbehavior of believers, opens the door for the enemies of God to blaspheme, as Nathan said to David for his impropriety, "because by this deed you have given great occasion to the enemies of the LORD to blaspheme." [2 Samuel 12:13-14]

✧ **Young men** in the Church need to be sober-minded (sincere, genuine, honest, steadfast).

Be a personal example [Titus 2:7-8]

- ✚ We lead best by example, demonstrating by our own lives, the order of life we teach to others.
 - ✧ This applies in our example of good works, doctrine (what we believe and hold to be true), integrity (honesty and uprightness), reverence (respect toward God, our ministry, and others), and our incorruptibility.
 - ✧ We must be sound in speech that cannot be condemned.
 - ✧ The goal is to guard against the opponent that he may be ashamed of his opposition, because he can find nothing evil to say of you.
 - ✧ Daniel was an example of this kind of integrity. [\[Daniel 6:4-5\]](#)

Bond-servants [\[Titus 2:9-10\]](#)

- ✚ Bond servants (employees) must be obedient to their own masters (employers), to be well pleasing in all things.
 - ✧ Servants must not talk back, or pilfer (embezzle) from their masters (employers).
 - ✧ Servants (employees) must show good fidelity.
 - ✧ By proper behavior, servants (employees) adorn (glorify, beautify) the doctrine of God our Savior in all things.

Grace of God teaches [\[Titus 2:11-15\]](#)

- ✚ The grace of God that brings salvation (Jesus) has appeared to all men. Grace teaches us that we should:
 - ✧ Deny ungodliness and world lusts, and live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age.
 - ✧ We should be looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ. Here Jesus Christ is identified as our Great God and Savior.
 - ✧ Our great God and Savior Jesus Christ is the One Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.
- ✚ These are the things Paul commanded Titus to teach, and rebuke error with all authority.
- ✚ Titus is young, so Paul adds, "Let no one despise you."
 - ✧ One responsible for the establishment of Church leadership is worthy of respect.
 - ✧ Proper conduct and proper exercise of authority merits respect.