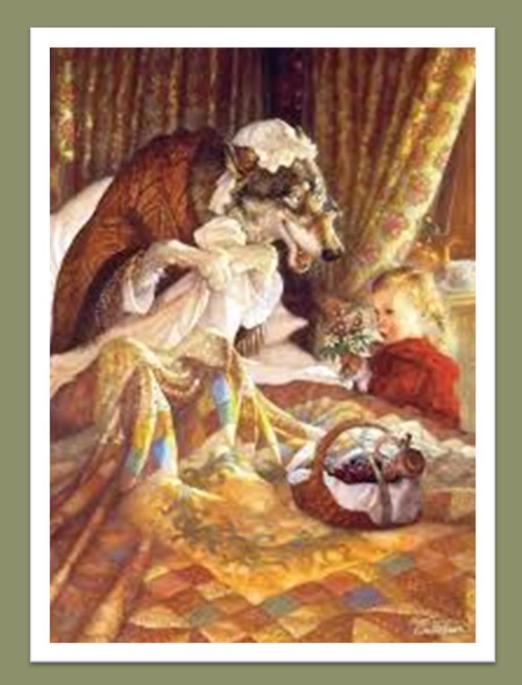
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Healthy Leaders Guard the Truth
Titus 1:9-16





28 Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. ²⁹ I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; 30 and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them.

Acts 21:28-29

Review

⁵ This is why I left you in Crete, so that you might put what remained into order, and appoint elders in every town as I directed you—



What does an elder do?

- 1. Lead. Titus 1:7; 1 Tim. 5:17; 1 Peter 5:2-3
- 2. Teach. Titus 1:9; 1 Tim. 5:17; Eph. 4:12
- 3. Guard. Acts 20:28; Titus 1:9
- 4. Care. Acts 20:35; James 5:14

Titus 1:9

Elders must know Scripture.

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Elders must be committed to Scripture.

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Elder must be able teach Scripture.

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Elder must refute false teaching.

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¹⁴not devoting themselves to Jewish myths and the commands of people who turn away from the truth. ¹⁵To the pure, all things are pure, but to the defiled and unbelieving, nothing is pure; but both their minds and their consciences are defiled.

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¹² One of the Cretans, a prophet of their own, said, Cretans are always liars, evil beasts, lazy gluttons.

¹⁶ They profess to know God, but they deny him by their works. They are detestable, disobedient, unfit for any good work.

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