

June 1, 2025

TITUS

The Call for Godly Older Mentors
Titus 2:1-8

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—



Titus' responsibility to teach

But as for you, teach what accords with sound doctrine.

Titus 2:1

2 Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness.
3 Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good, 4 and so train the young women to love their husbands and children, 5 to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled.
6 Likewise, urge the younger men to be self-controlled.
7 Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity, 8 and sound speech that cannot be condemned, so that an opponent may be put to shame, having nothing evil to say about us.

2 Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness.
3 Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good, 4 and so train the young women to love their husbands and children, 5 to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled.
6 Likewise, urge the younger men to be self-controlled.
7 Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity, 8 and sound speech that cannot be condemned, so that an opponent may be put to shame, having nothing evil to say about us.

2 Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness.
3 Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good, 4 and so train the young women to love their husbands and children, 5 to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled.
6 Likewise, urge the younger men to be self-controlled.
7 Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity, 8 and sound speech that cannot be condemned, so that an opponent may be put to shame, having nothing evil to say about us.

2 Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness.
3 Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good, 4 and so train the young women to love their husbands and children, 5 to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled.
6 Likewise, urge the younger men to be self-controlled.
7 Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity, 8 and sound speech that cannot be condemned, so that an opponent may be put to shame, having nothing evil to say about us.

2 Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness.
3 Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good, 4 and so train the young women to love their husbands and children, 5 to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled.
6 Likewise, urge the younger men to be self-controlled.
7 Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity, 8 and sound speech that cannot be condemned, so that an opponent may be put to shame, having nothing evil to say about us.

²Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness.
³Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good, ⁴and so train the young women to love their husbands and children, ⁵to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled.
⁶Likewise, urge the younger men to be self-controlled.
⁷Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity, ⁸and sound speech that cannot be condemned, so that an opponent may be put to shame, having nothing evil to say about us.

Reasons we may choose not to mentor:

from *As Iron Sharpens Iron* by William & Howard Hendricks

1. “I don’t care.”

1. “I don’t care.”

1b “I have already done my duty.”

Jesus said, “It is more blessed to give than to receive.” Acts 20:35b

2. “I feel inadequate.”

2b “I am fearful of all that comes with getting old.”

3. “No one ever asked me.”

And Jesus came and said to them, All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

¹⁹**Go** therefore and make disciples...

Matthew 28:18-19a

4. “I don’t know how.”

2 Older men ... 3 Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to **teach** what is good, 4 and so **train** the young women ... 6 Likewise, urge the younger men... 7 **Show** yourself in all respects to be a **model** of good works, and in your teaching show

Finding your P.L.A.C.E. as a mentor:

(<http://mentorguide.familylife.com/reference/you-can-be-a-mentor/>)

PRAY

L

A

C

E

Finding your P.L.A.C.E. as a mentor:

(<http://mentorguide.familylife.com/reference/you-can-be-a-mentor/>)

PRAY

LISTEN

A

C

E

Finding your P.L.A.C.E. as a mentor:

(<http://mentorguide.familylife.com/reference/you-can-be-a-mentor/>)

PRAY

LISTEN

ASK

C

E

Finding your P.L.A.C.E. as a mentor:

(<http://mentorguide.familylife.com/reference/you-can-be-a-mentor/>)

PRAY

LISTEN

ASK

CONSIDER

E

Finding your P.L.A.C.E. as a mentor:

(<http://mentorguide.familylife.com/reference/you-can-be-a-mentor/>)

PRAY

LISTEN

ASK

CONSIDER

ENCOURAGE

⁴Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness.
⁵Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good, ⁴and so train the young women to love their husbands and children, ⁵to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled.
⁶Likewise, urge the younger men to be self-controlled.
⁷Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity, ⁸and sound speech that cannot be condemned, so that an opponent may be put to shame, having nothing evil to say about us.