

From Forgiven to Faithfulness (Titus)

Lesson 3: Godly Leadership (1:1-16)

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INTRODUCTION

1. Key Verse: _____ : _____

2. Overview:

GREETINGS (1:1-4)

From Paul (1:1-3) - to Titus (1:4a) - followed by the Salutation (1:4b). Paul began his letter by reflecting on the commitments of his life (vss. 1-3). I will put them in the form of a resolution.

1. Resolved: to be Committed to God's _____ (1a)

2. Resolved: to be Committed to God's _____ (1b-2a)

3. Resolved: to be Committed to God's _____ (2b-3)

GODLY LEADERS (1:5-9)

1. Five statements relating to the pastoral oversight of the church:

A. God intends His Church (His flock) to have pastors (Eph. 4:11)

B. Additional titles are used of God's gift of pastor-teacher.
"Elder" *πρεσβύτερος presbúteros* | "Overseer" *ἐπίσκοπος epískopos*.

C. God intends each church to have a team of leaders.

D. The main function is to care for God's flock by teaching them.
Peter wrote that elders are to "feed the flock of God", & if they do well they will be rewarded by the Chief Shephard, Jesus Christ (1 Pet. 5:1-4).
See Eph. 4:11 "pastor-teachers" and Acts 20:17.

E. The selection of leaders was a corporate resp. (cp. Acts 6).

2. What are the qualifications?

A. There is a _____ qualification (vss. 6, 7).

B. There are _____ qualifications (vs. 6).
The home is regarded as the training ground for Christian leaders.

C. There are _____ qualifications (vss. 7-8).
Paul uses 11 terms: 5 negative and 6 positive, all 11 are single words.

1) Five _____ (vs. 7)

2) Six _____ (vs. 8)

D. There are _____ qualifications (vs. 9).

The apostle moves on to the candidate's relationship to the truth. In add't. to vs. 9, cp. 1 Tim. 3:2 "- an overseer "must be ... able to teach."
A candidate for the office of elder must demonstrate . . .

1) An understanding of the truth (1 Tim. 3:2)

2) An ability to communicate the truth (1 Tim. 3:2)

3) An unwavering commitment to the truth (Tit. 1:9)

THE _____ FOR GODLY LEADERS (1:10-16)

1. A description of false teachers is provided

A. Their _____ (vs. 10)

B. Their _____

C. Their _____

D. Their _____ (vs. 11)

E. Their _____ (vs. 13)

F. Their _____ (vs. 11)

2. A response to false teachers is demanded..

A. They must be _____ (vs. 11)

B. They must be _____ sharply (vs. 13)

C. They must be _____ (3:9-10)

D. A _____ - _____ approach will not due.