

# THE HEALTHY CHURCH



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**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 That 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 younger men  
to be sober-minded**



**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,**



**James 3: 8-10**

**“But no man can tame the tongue.**

**It is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.**

**With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men,  
who have been made in the similitude of God.**

**Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing.**

**My brethren, these things ought not to be so”**



**8 sound speech that cannot be condemned,  
that one who is an opponent  
may be ashamed, having  
nothing evil to say of you,**



**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**



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