

**Titus 2:1-10** But as for you, teach what accords with sound doctrine. **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.

**9** Bondservants are to be submissive to their own masters in everything; they are to be well-pleasing, not argumentative, **10** not pilfering, but showing all good faith, so that in everything they may adorn the doctrine of God our Savior.

## Start Talking. Conversation starter for your group.

• Share what you do vocationally with your group. Do you find it easy to share Jesus or have Gospel-centered conversations with people at work? Why or why not?

## Start Thinking.

- Read <u>Titus 2:1-10</u>. Even as different roles are described, what common themes about Christian behavior do you see in this chapter? What are some of the differences in roles that stand out to you as significant?
- What does being sound in the faith mean? Why is this important for older men to demonstrate and live out?
- Read v. 3. What are the three areas that Paul addresses to older women. Do you think older women struggle with these? Why or why not?
- Why does Paul seem to focus on the home for women? What does this say about the home?
- Younger men are to be what? What does this look like? Why is this so hard to live out for younger men?
- Read v. 9-10. Paul writes that Christians are to obey their authority. According to these verses, how do we live out the Gospel when we are at work? Why is this so important?

## Start Sharing.

- As you examine your life and think about this passage, what is your role in the local church? Are you fulfilling your role in the local church? If not, what is holding you back?
- What are some things the church could do to help you find opportunities to fulfill your role?
- Read Ephesians 5:22-33 Are you fulfilling your role in your marriage?
- What do you need to do, at home and at work, that you aren't currently doing, to demonstrate the Gospel?

## Start Doing.

•	Read Titus 2:11-14. How can "good works" advance God's mission? Be specific about how your small			
	group can be involved in God's mission through "g	good works."	Talk about what you and yo	ur group could
	participate in during FOR919.			