

Defending Against the Defilers

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Titus 1:10-16

How Elders protect their church family:

1. Encourage with _____ teaching
2. Refute defilers who _____ sound teaching

4 DEFENSIVE ACTIONS

1. _____ false influences who rebel against sound teaching (v 10)

How do false influencers pollute the church?

- _____ truth with empty words
- _____ any who will listen

Who do we refute today?

- _____ Movement (prosperity gospel) -
- _____ Christianity -
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Allen Parr
Misled



Cold Case
Christianity



Cultish
Podcast



Summit
Resources



Influence
Titus for Today

**2. _____ false influencers from ruining the church
(vv 11-12)**

- Elders are to defend the church family from spiritual _____ (v 11a)
- Elders are to defend the church family from spiritual _____ (v 11b)
- Elders are to defend the church family from Christless _____ (v 12)

Four Characteristics of the Cretan Culture (v 12):

1. Always liars - known for their _____ compulsion
2. Evil beasts - known to be brutal, _____, and evil
3. Lazy - lived with _____ to be productive or fruitful
4. Gluttons - Insatiable lust for _____ because of uncontrolled appetites

**3. _____ those who are buying into false influencers
(vv 13-14)**

- The motive is to be _____
- The motive is to prevent _____

**4. _____ false influencers who live defiled lives
(vv 15-16)**

- Defiled - to stain with color as the staining of glass

What exposes defilers?

- _____ works (v 16b)
- Holding fast to _____ teaching (1 John 1:5-2:27; Phil 3:10-4:1; Gal 5:1-26; John 14:6)