

Build Your Life
How Does the Word spread?
Titus 2:1-10

TALK IT OVER

Key Scripture

2 But as for you, teach what accords with sound[a] 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[b] 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.

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Start Talking: Find a conversation starter for your group. (15 Min)

- Do you think respect is something to be earned or should just be given?
- How does one become respectable?

Head: Start Thinking. Ask a question to get your group thinking. (10 Min)

- What is one thing from last weekend’s sermon that you hope we talk about as a group?
- Read Titus 2:1-10. Why do you think these things matter in a church?
- Paul is building upon the themes of high character for the people of God, sound teaching, and how the Word will spread.

Heart: Start Sharing. Choose a question to create openness. (10 Min)

- Paul is giving a vision for women’s ministry in this text. How are women able to make disciples of other women in a way that would be difficult for a man? Do you find that when you break up into smaller same gender groups – there is more vulnerability.
- While Paul and Scripture invites women to be submissive to their husbands, they also invite the men to love their wives as Christ loved the Church and gave Himself up for her (Ephesians 5:25). What are the blessings to God’s design in your marriage? What are the challenges?
- While Paul does address women who have small children to be homeward as a part of God’s design – The Scriptures do not prohibit women from having careers. Women are free to have careers while also making sure that their young children are not neglected but nurtured.
- How can followers of Jesus Christ be different than the world?
- Who is someone you are learning from that’s older than you?

Hands: Start Doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week. (10 Min)

- For a complementary reading, go to 1st Timothy 4:6-16

Start Praying. Be bold and pray with power. (15 Min)

- For suggestions on structuring prayer time, see the *Group Prayer Ideas* page in this packet.

Trios: Split into same-gender groups of three. (15 Min)

1. What’s a passage of scripture that has impacted you this week? Read it to the group and explain why.
2. Is there anything God is leading you to repent of?
3. How’s your weekly 3-2-1 challenge going? (*3 Conversations with New People, Learn 2 Names, Make 1 Meaningful Connection*)
4. Who is one non-believer that you need to reach out to this week?
5. What’s something you’d like someone else to check in with you about this week? Pray for one another.