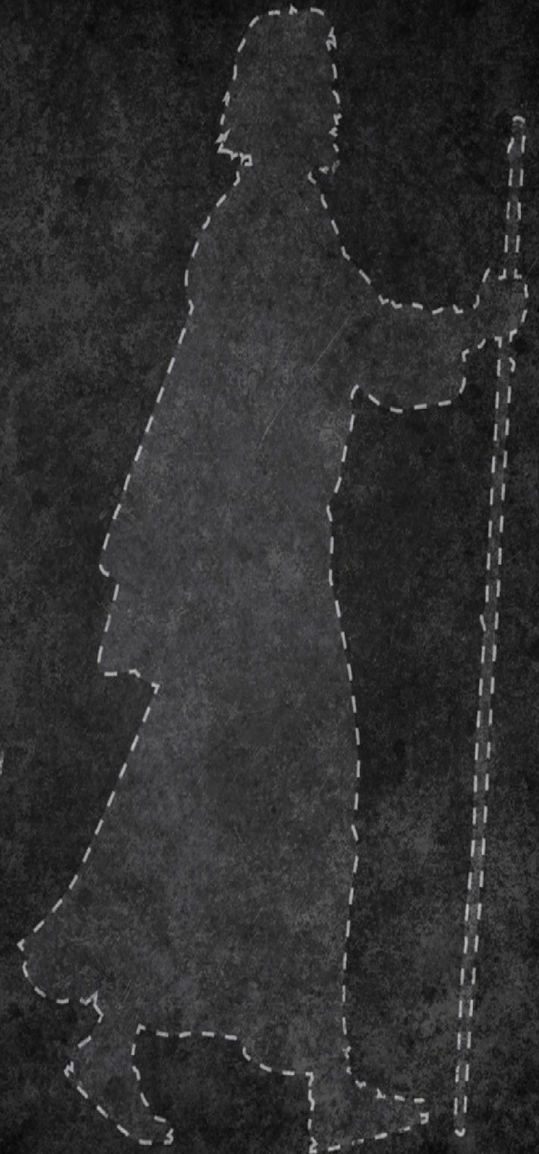
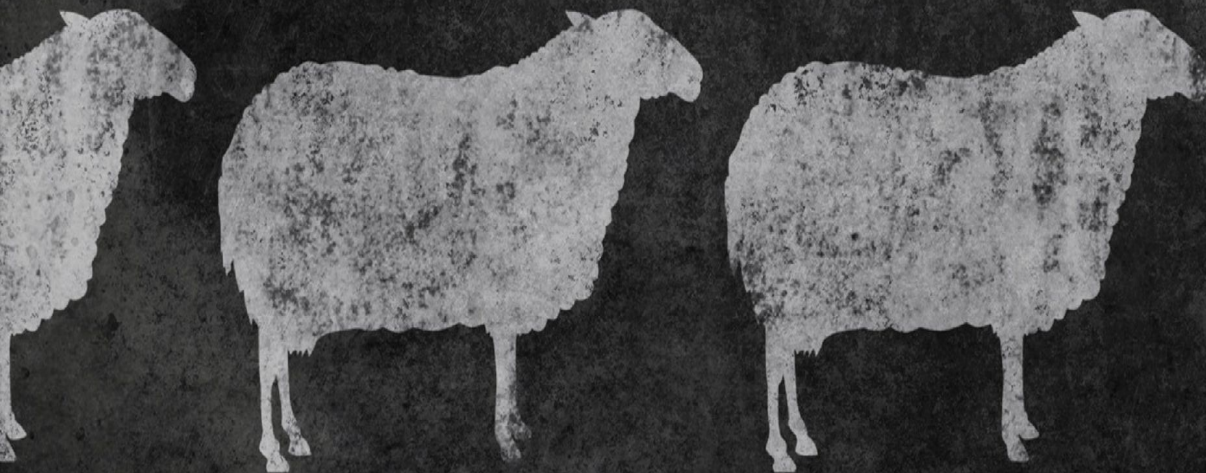


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Titus 1:6-9; 1 Timothy 3:1-7





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Titus 1:6-9 cf. 1 Tim. 3:2 **"above reproach"**

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- Not a drunkard (v3)
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- **Above reproach (v2)**

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## Titus 1:6-9

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- **Blameless (vv6, 7)**

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Each list has 15 traits

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No widow is to be enrolled on the list for support unless she is at least sixty years old, has been the wife of one husband, (1 Tim. 5:9)

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- is it a mere status or is it about character?

- Bill Clinton is a husband of one wife; NOT a one woman man... this seems to be about fidelity to his wife.

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- (*sophrona*) = sensible, prudent, reasonable
- Ti. 1:8 for elders; Ti. 2:2 for older men; Ti. 2:5 for younger women
  - Related to *sophroneo* = *of a sound mind* (cf. Mrk. 5:15)

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- Does this person make new comers feel welcome?
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  - Again... not a Q of past sins... but of mature character!
  - Jesus drank wine... but He was certainly no drunkard.
  - Is this person free from such sinful slavery?

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  - CSB: “not a bully” ... “my way or the highway” vibe
  - We should all be easy to please & hard to offend...

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• *This is the all-encompassing idea of the man's character since the "lists" are not exhaustive or identical yet they're interchangeable and consistent!*

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    - Used 2x elsewhere: 5:7 for widows & 6:14 for Timothy
  - (anenkletos) Blameless “Pertaining to one who cannot be accused of anything wrong— ‘without accusation’ or “Unblamable, irreproachable.”

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  - Used 2x elsewhere: 3:11 for “the women (wives?) of deacons” and in 2:2 about older men in general.
  - (enkrates) self-disciplined – or self controlled – certainly pertains to sexuality but has wider implications too.

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- (aphilarguron) not a lover of money— or not loving money.
- 1 Tim. 6:10 “the love of money is the root of all kinds of evils...”
- (me aischrokerdes) not materialistic— or not greedy for gain
- KJV: “greedy for filthy lucre” (elders can be supported: 1 Tm. 5:17)

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- (*echonta tekna*) having children— home = testing ground for man.
- How he leads his family is how we will lead the church (vv4-5)!
- (*pista tekna*) faithful children— ESV: “believing children”
- Faithful to father (& mom)? Faithful as in trustworthy (Ti. 3:8)?
- Faithful as in being a Christian (1 Tim. 5:16)?

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• (kosmios) respectable— dignified; honorable; modest

Also, the women are to dress themselves in modest clothing, with decency and good sense, not with elaborate hairstyles, gold, pearls, or expensive apparel, (1 Tim. 2:9)

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• (epieke) gentle— kind; tolerant; fair; equitable; mild;

But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. (Jam. 3:17)

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• (amachon) uncontentious - peaceable; not quarrelsome

...slander no one, to avoid fighting, and to be kind, always showing gentleness to all people. (Titus 3:2)

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• (*me neophuton*) not a new convert - mature believer

<sup>6</sup> He must not be a new convert, or he might become conceited and incur the same condemnation as the devil

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• (marturian kalen) good report having- w/unbelieving world

<sup>7</sup> Furthermore, he **must have a good reputation among outsiders, so that he does not fall into disgrace and the devil's trap (cf. 2 Tim. 2:26).**

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- (me authadē) not self-willed- not arrogant; not stubborn

- A man who is not self-pleasing and stubborn

- Puts others first (cf. Mark 10:42-45)

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• (me argilon) not quick tempered – root: *argē* = wrath

<sup>19</sup> My dear brothers and sisters, understand this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to anger,

<sup>20</sup> for human anger does not accomplish God's righteousness. (Jam. 1:19-20)



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• (philagathon) lover of good—

- Pursuing and enjoying good being done for the Lord

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- (hotion) devout— holy; pious

<sup>26</sup> For this is the kind of high priest we need: holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens (Hebrews 7:26; cf. “holy hands” 1 Tim. 2:8)

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• (dikaion) Just— upright; righteous; virtuous

<sup>46</sup> “And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.” (Matt. 25:46)

- Those who seek Christ’s righteousness by faith (1 John 2:1)

## 1 Timothy 3:2-7

- One woman man (v2)
- Sensible (v2)
- Hospitable (v2)
- Not a drunkard (v3)
- Not a fighter (v3)

### • Above reproach (v2)

- Temperate (v2)
- Able to teach (v2)
- Not a lover of money (v3)
- Having children (v4)

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- One woman man (v6)
- Sensible (v8)
- Hospitable (v8)
- Not a drunkard (v7)
- Not a fighter (v7)

### • Blameless (vv6, 7)

- Self-disciplined (v8)
- Able to exhort (v9)
- Not materialistic (v7)
- Faithful children (v6)

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