



# Titus

*...in all things show yourself  
to be an example of good deeds...*

# Agenda

- Recap
- Titus 2:1-10
- Topics:
  - Expected conduct of all believers
  - How to function in the local body
  - Slavery

# Titus Outline

Conduct of believers

Importance of sound doctrine

Correction of false teaching

Appointment of elders

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# Refute / Reprove

<sup>9</sup> holding fast the faithful word which is in accordance with the teaching, so that he will be able both to exhort in **sound** doctrine and to **refute** those who contradict.

<sup>13</sup> This testimony is true. For this reason **reprove** them severely so that they may be **sound** in the faith,



# Verse 9 and 13 Connected

“Holding fast  
THE teaching,  
so that...”



“Able to  
**refute** false  
teachers”

“**Reprove**  
them severely  
so that...”



“May be  
sound in  
THE faith”

# Titus 1:15

- **False teachers are condemned by their character**

**15 To the pure, all things are pure; but to those who are defiled and unbelieving, nothing is pure, but both their mind and their conscience are defiled**

# Titus 1:16

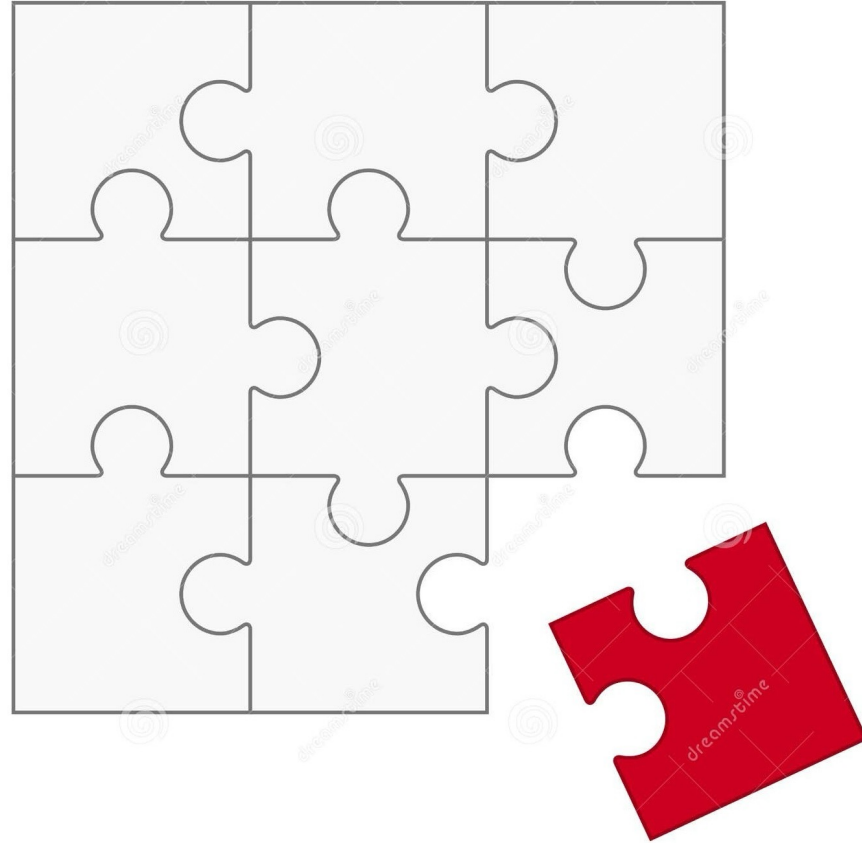
- **False teachers are condemned by their conduct**

<sup>16</sup> They profess to know God, but they deny him by their works.

They are detestable, disobedient **unfit** for any good work.



# “Unfit”



# “Not standing the test”

# Titus 2:1

But as for you, speak the things that are **fitting** for sound doctrine.

- Fitting – appropriate / consistent with

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# Titus 2:2-10

<sup>2</sup> Older men are to be temperate, dignified, sensible, sound in faith, in love, in perseverance.

<sup>3</sup> Older women likewise are to be reverent in their behavior, not malicious gossips nor enslaved to much wine, teaching what is good <sup>4</sup> so that they may...

# Titus 2:2-10

...encourage the young women to love their husbands, to love their children, <sup>5</sup> *to be* sensible, pure, workers at home, kind, being subject to their own husbands, so that the word of God will not be dishonored.

<sup>6</sup> Likewise urge the young men...

# Titus 2:2-10

...to be sensible; <sup>7</sup> in all things show yourself to be an example of good deeds, *with* purity in doctrine, dignified, <sup>8</sup> sound *in* speech which is beyond reproach, so that the opponent will be put to shame having...



# Titus 2:2-10

...nothing bad to say about us.

<sup>9</sup> *Urge* bondslaves to be subject to their own masters in everything, to be well-pleasing, not argumentative, <sup>10</sup> not pilfering, but showing all good faith so that they will adorn the doctrine of God our savior in every respect.

# Conduct – Older Men

- Temperate – not controlled by anything (*in general*), wine (*specifically*); well-balanced / clear-headed
- Dignified – worthy of respect
- Sensible – **sophronos** – in control to the point of mastery

# Conduct – Older Men

“Sound in faith, in love, in perseverance”

**“THE”**

- “THE faith” = doctrine
- “THE love” = not just doctrine
- “THE perseverance” – **hupomone** –  
idea: load carrying ability

# Conduct – Older Women

- “Reverent in behavior” – demeanor is generally respectful
- “Not malicious gossips” – slander
- “Not enslaved to much wine” – Could the wine have loosened the tongue?
- “Teaching what is good”

# Conduct – Younger Women

- Love their husbands – affectionate towards him
- Love their children – affectionate towards them
- Sensible – **sophronos** – in control to the point of mastery
- Pure – chaste (1 Tim 5:22 “keep yourself **free** from sin”)

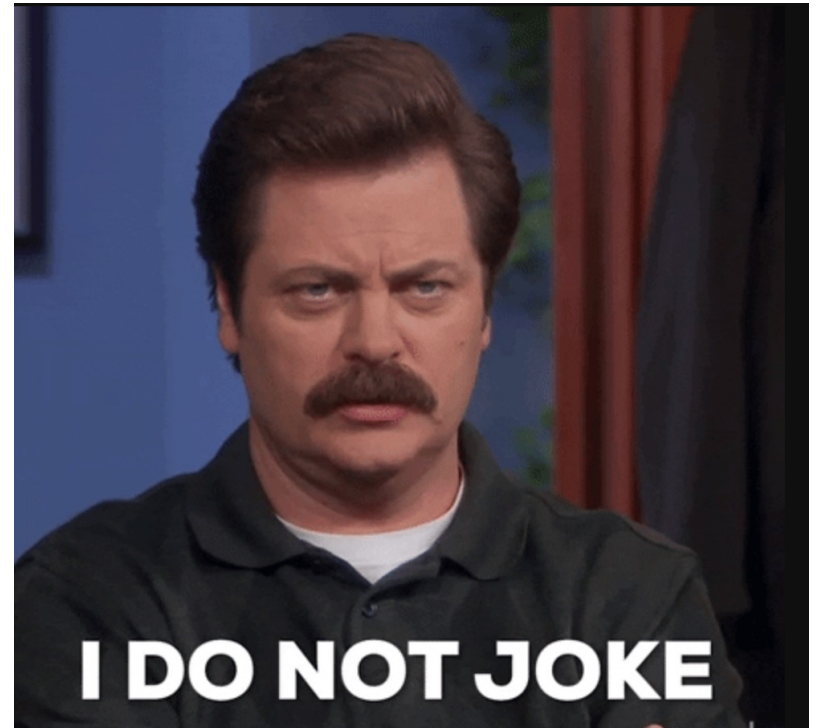
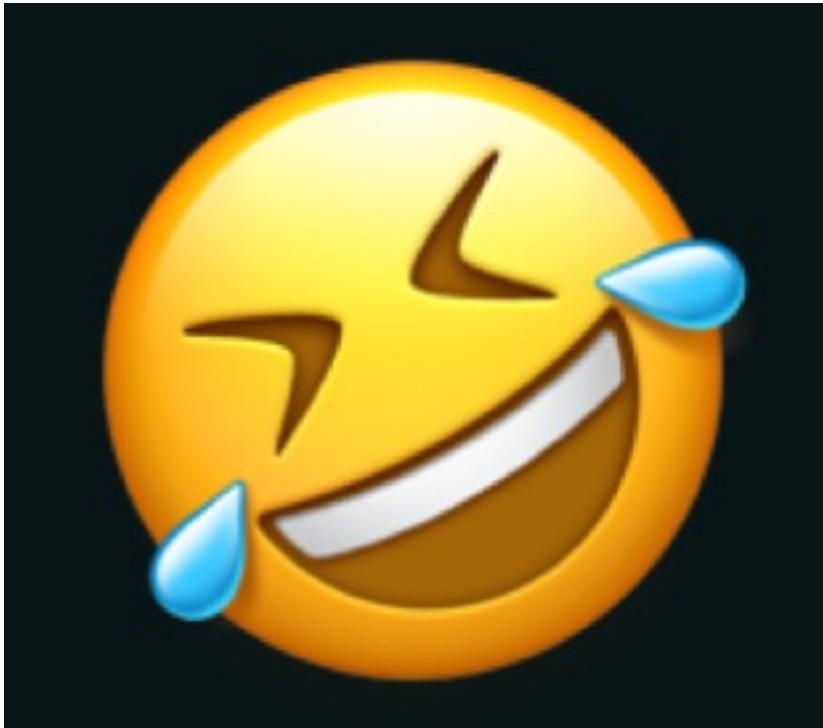
# Conduct – Younger Women

- Workers at home – domestically-inclined / orderliness (1 Tim 5:14 – “manage their households”)
- Kind – “good / meeting a high quality of standards”
- Being subject to their own husbands – “to line up under”



# Conduct – Younger Men

- Sensible – **sophronos** – in control to the point of mastery



# Sensible - sophronos

## **Expected of:**

- Elders (1 Tim 3:2 – “prudent”)
- Older men
- Younger men

**Learned by younger women**

**Ministry of older women**

# Older Men: Observations

- Temperate, Dignified, Sensible, Sound in faith, love, and perseverance



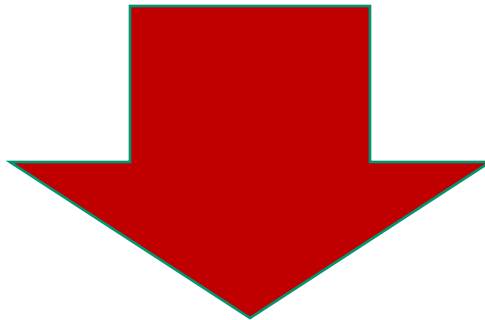
Are these qualities  
confined to older men?  
Is the list complete?

# Older Women: Observations

- Reverent, not malicious gossips, not enslaved to much wine, teaching what is good



Why this list?



# Titus 2:4

4 ...so that they may **encourage**  
the young women...

Encourage / train – **sophronizo**



They may bring the young  
women to their senses



**What gives them the  
ability to bring them  
to their senses?**



# Titus 2:1

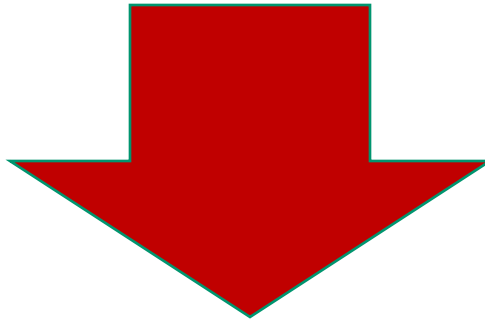
Titus 2:1 But as for you, speak the things that are fitting for **sound doctrine**.

# Younger Women: Observations

Love their husbands, love their children, sensible, pure, workers at home, kind, being subject to their own husbands



Why these specifically?



# Titus 2:4b

...so that the word of God will not be **dishonored**

Blaspheme – to dishonor through speech or conduct

# Younger Men: Observations

- Sensible – **sophronos** – in control to the point of mastery



Can young men be in control?

# Back to Titus

<sup>7</sup> in all things show yourself to be an **example** of good deeds, *with* purity in doctrine, dignified, <sup>8</sup> sound *in* speech which is beyond reproach, so that the opponent will be put to shame having nothing back to say about us



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**Good deeds**

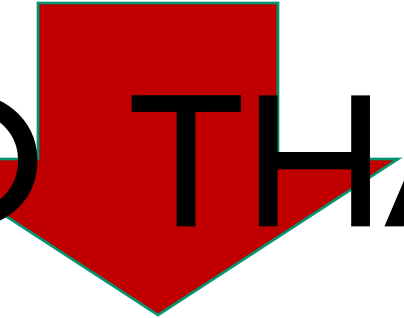
**Purity of  
doctrine**

**Dignified**

**Speech that is  
beyond reproach**



- Good deeds
- Purity of doctrine
- Dignified
- Sound in speech

SO  THAT

The opponent will be put to **shame**,  
having nothing bad to say about us

# Exhort

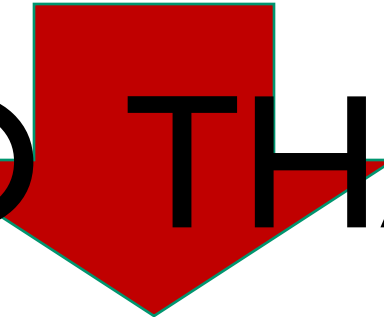
- parakaleo
- In sound doctrine
- Idea: to come alongside / appeal to

# Refute

- elegko
- Those who contradict
- To expose - usually with the idea of shaming



- Good deeds
- Purity of doctrine
- Dignified
- Sound in speech

SO  THAT

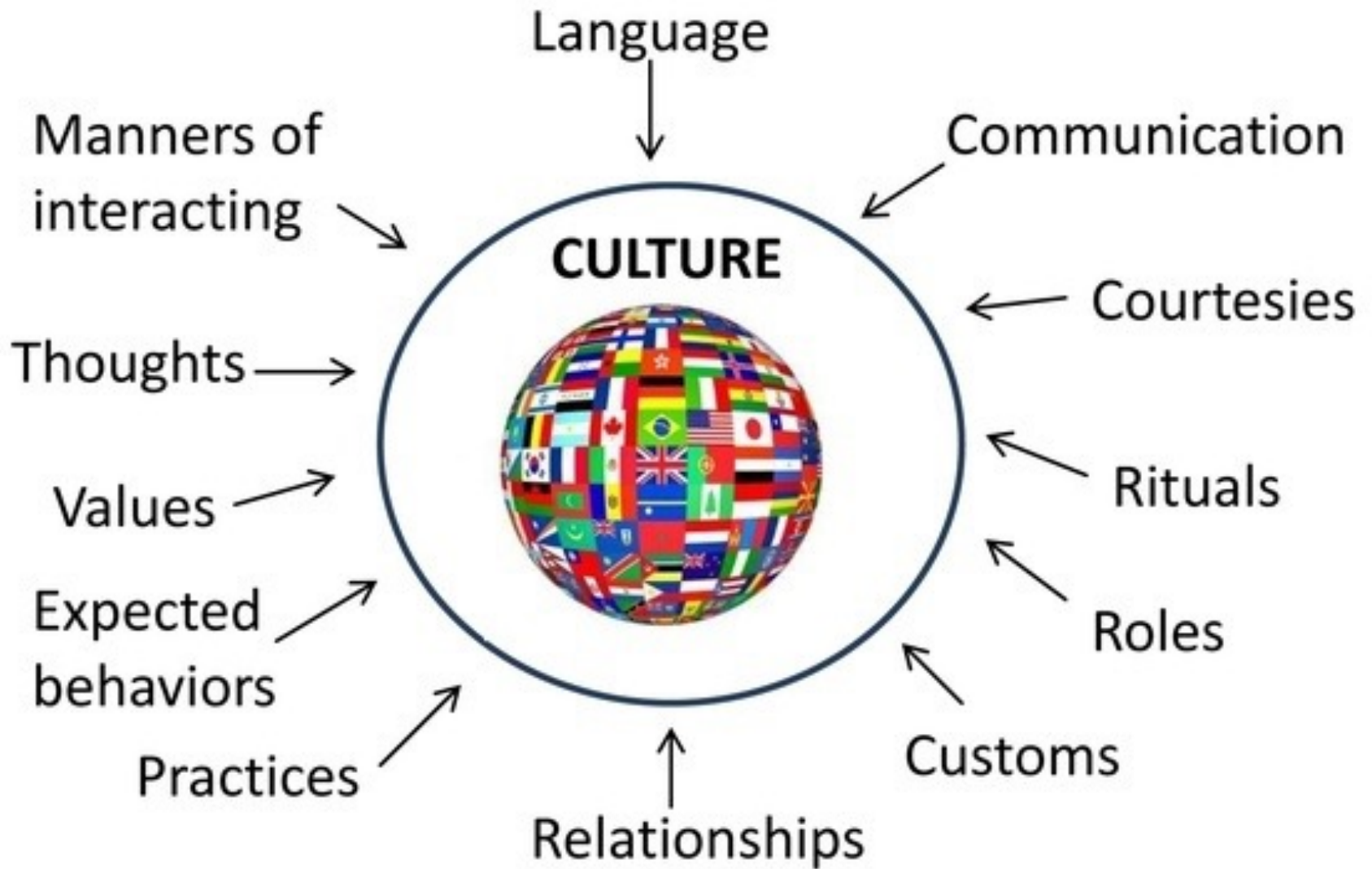
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# Conduct

- Older Men
- Older Women
- Younger Women
- Younger Men
- Titus
- Slaves / Servants

# Titus 2:9-10

<sup>9</sup> *Urge* bondslaves to be subject to their own masters in everything, to be well-pleasing, not argumentative, <sup>10</sup> not pilfering, but showing all good faith so that they will adorn the doctrine of God our savior in every respect.



# Conduct of Slaves

- Subject to their own masters in everything
- Well-pleasing
- Not argumentative – “contradict”
- Not pilfering – “petty theft”
- Showing all good faith – “dependability”

# 1 Timothy 6:1-2

<sup>1</sup> All who are under the yoke as slaves are to regard their own masters as worthy of all honor so that the name of God and *our* doctrine will not be spoken against.

<sup>2</sup> Those who have believers as their masters must not be disrespectful to them because they are brethren, but must serve them all the more...

# 1 Timothy 6:1-2

...because those who partake of the benefit are believers and beloved. Teach and preach these *things*.

# 1 Peter 2:18

**18 Servants, be submissive to your masters with all respect, not only to those who are good and gentle, but also to those who are unreasonable.**



Col 3:17

**WHATEVER  
YOU DO**

**DO IN THE  
NAME OF  
THE LORD**

Col 3:18-22

**WIVES,  
HUSBANDS,  
CHILDREN,  
SLAVES...**

**AS TO THE  
LORD**

Col 3:23

**WHATEVER  
YOU DO**

**WORK AS  
FOR THE  
LORD**

# Colossians 3:17-23

**17** Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father **18** Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. **19** Husbands, love your wives and do not be embittered against them. **20** Children, be obedient to your parents in all things, for this is well-pleasing to the Lord...

# Colossians 3:17-23

<sup>21</sup> Fathers, do not exasperate your children, so that they will not lose heart. <sup>22</sup> Slaves, in all things obey those who are your masters on earth, not with external service, as those who merely please men, but with sincerity of heart, fearing the Lord. <sup>23</sup> **Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men**

# Ephesians 5:21-6:9

<sup>21</sup> be subject to one another in the fear of Christ (*for instance...*)

- Wives, to your own husbands,  
...as to the Lord
- Children, obey your parents  
...in the Lord
- Slaves, be obedient to your masters  
...as to Christ



**Why do slaves need to  
have good conduct?**

- Subject to own masters
- Well-pleasing
- Not argumentative
- Not pilfering
- Showing all good faith

SO THAT

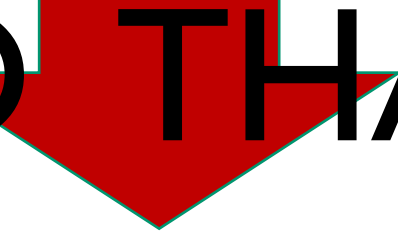
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# Adorning the Doctrine

Adorn - **cosmeo**

- To make beautiful or attractive
- To enhance

# Conduct Matters

SO  THAT

- The word of God will not be dishonored
- They will adorn the doctrine of God our savior in every respect





**How does the world  
generally judge  
Christianity?**