

**I. Spoken - Titus 2:1**

1. However - changes the tone and direction of the passage
2. Teach sound doctrine
  - the truth of the gospel

Rea **Ideas and Questions:**

1. Define “sound doctrine”
2. A command - do this!
3. Note that we cannot change others behavior, but we can change and manage our own - so his way of dealing with the problem is something positive, not to engage in a warfare of words
4. Do you believe that in today’s church we teach “sound doctrine?” - is there anything missing? - if we leave some parts out what will be the result?

**II. Acted - Titus 2:2-10**

1. Teach (verse 1)

A. Teach the older men (**verses 2-5**)

- temperate - self-restrained
- speaks to self-discipline with words, attitudes, temper, etc.
- worthy of respect

- Rea
- someone that the younger men might look up to - “respect”
  - sound in faith love and endurance
  - set examples to follow

B. Teach the older women (verse 3)

- reverent in the way they live - character
- not slanderers

- Rea
- gossips
  - not addicted to much wine
    - to say this means we can drink but not get drunk is to take this to mean something not intended
  - teach what is good

C. Teach the younger women (verse 4)

- love your husbands and children
- do a good job of “family” - a focus
- be self-controlled
- pure
- busy at home
- subject to husbands
- all this so that no one may be able to malign the word of God
- kind

- Rea
- just like the young women

E. Titus should set an example (verse 7)

- in everything

- Rea                                -not a hot-head - some young men fall into this category
- doing good
- Rea                                -show integrity and seriousness
- the same idea as “sober” in the KJV
- Rea                                -sound speech
- set a guard on your mouth
- F. Teach the slaves (**verses 9-10**)
- be subject to masters
- don’t talk back
- don’t steal from your master
- Rea                                -don’t steal from your employer - so you can be fully trusted
- Rea                                -what employer wouldn’t want and be impressed with an employee who did not steal

Rea    **Ideas and Questions:**

1. Obviously “teaching” is not just doctrine/ theology
2. Do you think these admonitions are related to what might be a particular temptation to these respective groups?
3. The goal? - verse 10 - so that in every way the gospel message might be “attractive”
4. These are everyday attitudes that impact our daily lives

### **III. Empowered - Titus 2:11-14**

1. Reference to the gospel as the “grace of God” (**verses 11-13**)
  - so that all people might be saved
- Rea                                -so, not just the “chosen?” - all?
2. The gospel teaches we say no to some things and yes to others
  - A. No to worldly passions
  - B. Yes to a self-controlled and upright lifestyle
- Rea                                C. To be a Christian means living by a different standard
- D. Live godly - pleasing to God
3. In the mean time we wait for the blessed “hope”
  - the appearing of our Lord - our expectation
- Rea                                -the Second Coming
4. This is the reason Jesus gave Himself: (**verse 14**)
  - A. To redeem us from that other lifestyle
  - B. From all wickedness
  - C. To purify us
  - D. A people who are His own
- Rea                                E. And who are “eager” to do what is good

Rea    **Ideas and Questions:**

1. The goal/ or purpose is laid out here
2. A different lifestyle is given here - the different lifestyle has been swallowed up in our day by a “tolerance” attitude toward any and every sin
3. It was not well stated, but our author definitely means this why we were “empowered” - to live this life
4. Discuss how often the word “self-controlled” is used - and why

#### **IV. Authority - Titus 2:15**

1. These are things you ought to teach  
Rea            -very specific about what they are to teach - both as to what and who
  2. Encourage and rebuke - with all authority  
Rea            -encourages this pastor to take the lead  
                 -obviously he had the authority to “rebuke” as well as encourage
  3. Don’t let anyone despise you  
Rea            -why do you think Paul included this - who would “despise” Titus?
- Rea    **Ideas and Questions:**
1. Do you think our leaders have the authority to “rebuke” within God’s church?
  2. In your opinion are folk well/ adequately “taught” within the church?  
                 -if we “taught” some things would people still come?
  3. We are to evangelize, but we are to also “teach”
  4. If the church has no integrity, discuss how that affects our “evangelizing”

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