

D4: The Qualifications (for elder) - 1 Timothy 3:1-7; Titus 1:5-9

1 Timothy 3:1-7

3:1

"Overseer" (and 3:2)

"Fine work"

"Aspires" and "desires"

3:2

"Must be above reproach"

"The husband of one wife" (see "the husband of one wife" in Titus 1:6)

"Temperate"

"Prudent" (see "sensible" in Titus 1:8)

"Respectable"

“Hospitable” (see “hospitable” in Titus 1:8)

“Able to teach”

3:3

“Not addicted to wine” (see “not addicted to wine” in Titus 1:7)

“Not pugnacious” (see “not pugnacious” in Titus 1:7)

“Gentle”

“Peaceable”

“Free from the love of money”

3:4-5

“One who manages his own household well, keeping his children under control with all dignity”

“But if a man does not know how to. . . how will he take care of the church of God?”

3:6

“Not a new convert, so that he will not become conceited and fall into the condemnation incurred by the devil.”

3:7

“He must have a good reputation with those outside the church, so that he will not fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.”

Titus 1:5-9

1:5

“For this reason I left you in Crete”

“Set in order what remains”

“Appoint elders in every city as I directed you” (see “overseer” in Titus 1:7)

1:6

“If any man is above reproach” (see “above reproach” in Titus 1:7)

“The husband of one wife” (see “the husband of one wife” in 1 Timothy 3:2)

“Having children who believe, not accused of dissipation or rebellion”

1:7

“The overseer must be above reproach as God’s steward”

“Not self-willed”

“Not quick-tempered”

“Not addicted to wine” (see “not addicted to wine” in 1 Timothy 3:3)

“Not pugnacious” (see “pugnacious” in 1 Timothy 3:3)

“Not fond of sordid gain”

1:8

“Hospitable” (see “hospitable” in 1 Timothy 3:2)

“Loving what is good”

“Sensible” (see “prudent” in 1 Timothy 3:2)

“Just”

“Devout”

“Self-controlled”

1:9

“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”

Other considerations: