

D3: Ministry—Women Encouraging Women (Titus 2:3-5)

Review of the Wellspring Purpose and Disciplines

Introduction—Titus

Titus 2:11-3:8

Titus 2:5, 8, 10

TITUS 2:3-5: The gospel is honored through transformed older women training transformed young women.

I. What older women transformed by the gospel must be, 2:3.

- "older women"

1. Reverent in behavior

1 Corinthians 10:31

2. Not malicious gossips

3. Not enslaved to much wine

4. Teaching what is good

Questions to evaluate growth in “older woman” qualities:

- Are we aware of the example we are setting?
- Are we growing in a sense of reverence, of giving God glory in every part of our life?
- Are we growing in using God’s Word to guide our thinking?
- Are we turning away from gossip, and speaking what is good?
- Are we thoughtful and self-controlled about our use of alcohol?
- Are we increasing in seeking our rest & our comfort in Jesus Himself?
- Are we teaching what is good to younger women?

II. What transformed older women must train the young women to be, 2:4-5a.

- “So that they might encourage/train”

- “Young women”

1. Husband-lovers

2. Children-lovers

3. Sensible

Proverbs 25:28

4. Pure

1 John 3:2-3

5. Workers at home

2 Timothy 3:1-7; 1 Timothy 5:9-15

Proverbs 31:10-31

Acts 16:14-15, 40—Lydia

Acts 18:2-3; Romans 16:3; 1 Corinthians 16:19—Priscilla

Colossians 3:23

(Recommended listening with your husband—BUILD lesson on Titus 2:3-5, Jan. 12, 2013,
<http://www.gbcaz.org/media/biblicaltraining/build/2012-13/20130112.mp3>)

6. Kind

Luke 6:45

Luke 10:38-42

Ephesians 4:29

Luke 6:35

7. Subject to their own husbands

Eph. 5:22-33; Col. 3:18; 1 Pe. 3:1-5

The idea of headship and submission never began! It has always existed in the eternal nature of God Himself. And in this most basic of all authority relationships, authority is not based on gifts or ability; it is just there. . . [The relationship between the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit] is one of leadership and authority on the one hand and voluntary, willing, joyful submission to that authority on the other hand. We can learn from this that submission to a rightful authority is a noble virtue. It is a privilege. It is something good and desirable. It is the virtue that has been demonstrated by the eternal Son of God forever. It is His glory, the glory of the Son as He relates to His Father.

--Wayne Grudem, quoted by Carolyn Mahaney in *Feminine Appeal*, p. 138

III. What happens when transformed women are all they should be, 2:5b.