

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

Review of the Wellspring Purpose and Disciplines

Introduction—Titus

The Word of God is honored through gospel-transformed older women training gospel-transformed young women.

Titus 2:11-14

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, 12 instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age, 13 looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus, 14 who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds.

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

1 John 1:9

3. Not enslaved to much wine

4. Teaching what is good

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

Proverbs 1:5, 7

1. Husband-lovers

Proverbs 31:12—all the days of her life

Genesis 2:18-25—helper

Ephesians 5:33—respect

2. Children-lovers

3. Sensible

Proverbs 25:28

4. Pure

Romans 13:14

2 Timothy 2:22

5. Workers at home

2 Timothy 3:1-7—weak women

1 Timothy 5:9-15—warnings for young widows

Role of the home in the New Testament church:

Proverbs 31:10-31—Old Testament description of a godly woman

Acts 16:14-15, 40—Lydia

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

Colossians 3:23 Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men, 24 knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve.

(Recommended listening with your husband—BUILD lesson on Titus 2:3-5, Jan. 25, 2014,
<http://www.gbcaz.org/2014/01/build-d1-the-heart/>)

6. Kind

Luke 6:45

Luke 10:38-42—Mary and Martha

Ephesians 4:29

Luke 6:35

7. Subject to their own husbands

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

Ephesians 5:22 (22-33); Colossians 3:18—"as to the Lord"

Proverbs 19:13—the contentious wife

Genesis 2:18-25—suitable helper

1 Peter 3:1-5

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

Titus 3:3

John 1:26-27—John the Baptist

Ephesian 3:6-8; 1 Timothy 1:15—Paul

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