

Mentoring One Another

READ: Titus 2:1-8

As for you, promote the kind of living that reflects wholesome teaching. ²Teach the older men to exercise self-control, to be worthy of respect, and to live wisely. They must have sound faith and be filled with love and patience.

³Similarly, teach the older women to live in a way that honors God. They must not slander others or be heavy drinkers. Instead, they should teach others what is good. ⁴These older women must train the younger women to love their husbands and their children, ⁵to live wisely and be pure, to work in their homes, to do good, and to be submissive to their husbands. Then they will not bring shame on the word of God.

⁶In the same way, encourage the young men to live wisely. ⁷Be an example to them by doing good works of every kind. Let everything you do reflect the integrity and seriousness of your teaching. ⁸Teach the truth so that your teaching can't be criticized. Then those who oppose us will be ashamed and have nothing bad to say about us.

REFLECT: What did Paul tell Titus to teach the older men and women? vv. 2-3

How can older men and women be examples to those who are younger than they are? (vv. 4-7)

It's easy to tell someone how they should live. It's another thing to show someone else how to live by actually living that way. Paul's desire was to have the church be a place where the older men and women could be examples of Godly living and train younger men and women to do the same. He wanted people in the church to build relationships with each other so they could show others how to live.

God wants the church to be filled with people who live self-controlled, respectful, and pure lives so we have examples of Godly men and women to look up to. Then those Godly men and women can mentor others and show them how to live Godly lives. God also wants you to be a good example of how to live for Jesus so you can be a role model for those who are younger than you.

RESPOND: Who is someone in your life that points you to God by how they live?

What changes in your life do you need to make so you can show others how to live like Jesus?

Thank God for those in your life who show you how to be like Jesus. Ask God what you need to work on so you can be a Godly example for others.

Pray for _____

Thank God for _____