

Teach

Doctrine
Deacon
Love Vessel
Pillar
Servant
Athlete
Suffer
Refute
Truth
Soldier
Overseer
Submissive
Household
Myths
Godly
Urge
Workman
Rebuke
Farmer
reproach
Behave
Law
command
Goodworks
Remember
Declare
Exhort

All verses in these presentations are from **ESV** (English Standard Version), unless otherwise noted.

1 Timothy, 2 Timothy, Titus

A preview

Week 1

Intro /
1&2 Timothy
& Titus

Instructions
on
Believers
behavior

Week 2

1&2 Timothy
& Titus

Instructions
on
Believers
behavior
continued

Week 3

1&2 Timothy
& Titus

Instructions
on
Believers
behavior
continued

Week 4

Spiritual
Leadership
(1 Tim 3/
Tit 1)

Responsibilities:
Of Leadership
& of believers

QUICK REVIEW
Of
LAST THREE SESSIONS

Few underlying concepts in these epistles

Based on : 1 Ti 3.15

KEY VERSE

1. The company of local believers is a **family**
2. The family must have proper leadership to teach, serve and protect them
3. The family must be taught the true family values

The Steward: Leader of the family

God's command to Abraham & Moses

(Deu 6:6) And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart.

(Deu 6:7) **You shall teach them diligently to your children**, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.

COMMANDMENT TO TEACH THE COMING GENERATIONS

Psalm 78:5-6 : **He** decreed statutes for Jacob and established the law in Israel, which he commanded our **ancestors (1)** to teach **their children (2)**, so the **next generation(3)** would know them, even the **children yet to be born(4)**, and they in turn would **tell their children(5)**.

In the NT – Household of God- Command to
Teach the coming generations

(2Ti 2:2) and

what **you (2)** have heard from **me (1)**

in the presence of many witnesses

entrust to **faithful men (3)**

who will be able to teach

others also. (4)

Few underlying concepts in these epistles

1. The company of local believers is a **family**
2. The family must have proper leadership to teach, serve and protect them
3. The family must be taught the true family values
4. The family values will be attacked
5. Teaching and protecting the family values is the responsibility of the family leaders

Major elements of teaching - SUMMARY:

1. Refute false doctrine
2. Teach the good doctrine
3. Believers faith in action - good works
4. Elder/Deacon :Responsibilities /response
5. Believers interpersonal interactions
6. Personal life disciplines are required for assembly ministries (**Patterns to follow**)

2 Timothy - Key patterns to the Minister

Chapter 2	Verse(s)	Key statement (s)
Patterns to the Minister (Disciplines to follow)	1-26	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- The Steward – (2)- The Soldier -- (3)- The Athlete – (5)- The Farmer – (6)- The Savior -- (8)- The Workman (15)- The Vessel – (21)- The Servant – (24)

Overall Summary of these epistles

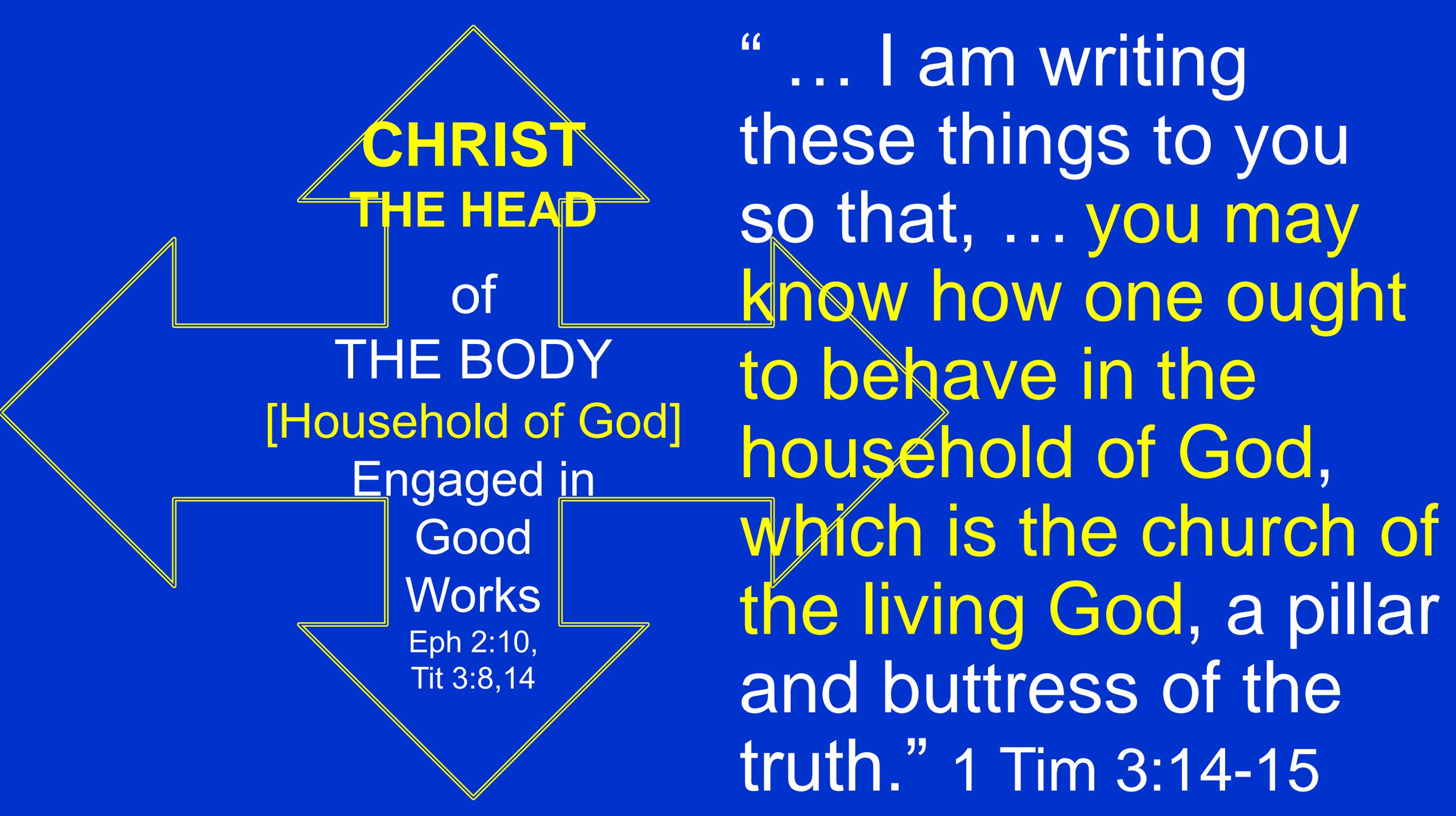
- 1 Timothy – **A Charge**
 - **Guard** - the TRUTH not to lose the purity
 - **Protect** - doctrinal purity
- 2 Timothy – **A Challenge**
 - **To Teach** – to coming generations
 - **Proclaim** -true doctrine
- Titus – **A Change**
 - **Evidence** - the truth by action
 - **Practice** in good works

Key takeaway -

- A believers' learning should lead to transformation towards Christ likeness.
 - (A visible and demonstrated Change in the life of the believer).

And not like some:

- (2Ti 3:7) Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.



**CHRIST
THE HEAD**

of

THE BODY

[Household of God]

Engaged in

Good
Works

Eph 2:10,
Tit 3:8,14

“ ... I am writing these things to you so that, ... **you may know how one ought to behave in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, a pillar and buttress of the truth.**” 1 Tim 3:14-15

overseer

mature

nonviolent

hospitable

gentle

nonquarrelsome

above_reproach

selfcontrolled

teach

Manages_home

respectable

dignified

sobber_minded

Leadership in the Assembly

- The Chief Shepherd
- Under Shepherds
- Examples from OT
- Plurality
- Responsibilities
- Key Characteristics
- Believers Response

Shepherding His household
The Chief Shepherded

(1Pe 5:4) And when the
chief Shepherd appears,
you will receive the
unfading crown of glory.

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Leadership in the Assembly

- Elders in the local assembly
 - - who are they?
 - - where did this role come from?

Leadership in the Assembly - ELDERS

Meaning- of Word ELDER

H2205 *zâqên zaw-kane'*

From H2204; *old*: - **aged**, ancient (man), **elder (-est)**, old (man, men and . . . women), senator.

Total KJV occurrences: 178

One having authority by virtue of age and experience -the village *elders* (*Webster*)

Leadership in the Assembly - ELDERS

- First appearance of the word:
 - (Gen 50:7) So Joseph went up to bury his father. With him went up all the servants of Pharaoh, the elders of his household, ...

Leadership in the Assembly - ELDERS

(Exo 3:15) **God also said to Moses, ...**

(Exo 3:16) Go and gather **the elders of Israel** together and say to them, 'The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, has appeared to me ...

Leadership in the Assembly - ELDERS

Appointed!

(Num 11:16) Then the LORD said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them, and bring them to the tent of meeting, and let them take their stand there with you.

Leadership in the Assembly - ELDERS Appointed!

(Num 11.17)^{NIV} “ I will come down and speak with you there, and I will take some of the power of the Spirit that is on you and put it on them. They will share the burden of the people with you so that you will not have to carry it alone”.

Leadership in the Assembly ELDERS

(Deu 1:13) “Choose for your tribes

wise,

understanding,

and experienced men,

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Leadership in the Assembly - ELDERS

Jesus Acknowledges the role of elders in Israel

(Luk 9:22) ...*(Jesus)* saying, "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by **the elders** and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised."

Leadership in the Assembly - ELDERS

A special category of mature (aged) men who were

set apart for leadership —

much like a senate and they were the

decision makers

in general administrative matters.

Leadership in the Assembly - ELDERS

Roles of Elders in Israel:

1. Decision makers for family (tribe)-
2. Civil judges
3. Communicators of Spiritual matters
4. Administrators of the law of God
5. Oversight of Society of Gods people
6. Leaders in Israel cities
7. ... (and others)

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First reference in relation to the Local Church:

Act 11:29-30: So the disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brothers living in Judea. And they did so, sending it to **the elders** by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

PLURALITY
IN
LEADERSHIP

Leadership – Always Plural

Christ's example

(Mar 6:7) And he called the twelve and began to send them out **two by two**, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits.

(Luk 10:1) After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, **two by two**, into every town and place where he himself was about to go.

Leadership – Always Plural Apostle's Example

(Act 13:2) While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me **Barnabas and Saul** for the work to which I have called them."

(Act 13:3) Then after fasting and praying they laid their hands on them and sent them off.

Leadership – Always Plural Apostle's Example

(Php 1:1) **Paul and Timothy,**
servants of Christ Jesus, To all
the saints in Christ Jesus who
are at Philippi, with the
overseers and deacons:

Leadership – Always Plural
Apostle's Example- APPOINTMENT

(Act 14:21) When they had
preached the gospel to that city
and had made many disciples,
they returned to Lystra and to
Iconium and to Antioch, ...

Leadership – Always Plural

Apostle's Example- APPOINTMENT

(Act 14:23)

“And when they had
appointed elders for them in
every church, ...”

Leadership – Always Plural
Apostle's Example- APPOINTMENT

(Tit 1:5) This is why I left you in Crete, so that you might put what remained into order, and **appoint elders in every town** as I directed you--

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Elders and Deacons

- The local Assembly (gathering) of believers are led by elders who are assisted by deacons.
- The elders have the principal responsibility for **spiritual leading**: teaching the Word, instruction, correction, leading by example

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- The deacon ministry is supportive to the elders, mostly in “**care & mercy service**” matters of assembly - Acts 6:1-7

Elders and Deacons

The Deacons roles and responsibilities differ from that of the elders, BUT we should note that the qualifications for deacons are almost identical to that of elders. **1 Tim 3.8-13**

Elders in the Church: Key verses on responsibility

(Tit 1:9) He must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught, so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and also to rebuke those who contradict it.

Elders in the Church: Key verses on responsibility

- Able to teach – Keeping purity of doctrine –

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Elders in the Church: Key verses on responsibility

▪ (1Th 5:12) We ask you, brothers, to respect those who labor among you and are over you in the Lord

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(1Th 5:13) and to esteem them very highly in love because of their work.

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NIV **1 Peter 5:1** To the **elders** among you, I appeal as a fellow elder, ... **2 Be shepherds** of God's flock that is under your care, serving **as overseers**-- not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not greedy for money, **but eager to serve;**

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- **NIV Acts 20:17** From Miletus, Paul sent to Ephesus for **the elders** of the church.
- **28** Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you **overseers**. Be **shepherds** of the church of God, which he bought with his own blood.

Elders responsibilities: Pastoring God's flock

- feeding God's word
- (John 21:15-17 cf. Jer 3:15)
- watching over, caring for, guarding from error (Tit 1:10-11; Acts 20:28-32)
 - by refuting error
 - by silencing rebels

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1. (**labor**) To put time and effort for the believers in the church. **-SHEPHERD**
2. (**over you**) Manage the assembly matters. **-OVERSEER**
3. (**admonish you**) And Exercise proper spiritual authority. **-ELDER**

Elders in NT

Should meet certain qualifications

- of Character and Maturity
- of Knowledge of Scripture
- Principal passages
 - 1 Tim 3:1-7
 - Titus 1:5-9

Elder Qualifications

- **positively speaking**
 - in general
 - irreproachable, blameless
 - married only to one
 - his thinking
 - clear-headed ~ self-controlled
 - sensible ~ prudent

Elder Qualifications

- **positively speaking**
 - **toward people & things**
 - honorable
 - hospitable
 - who loves what is good
 - just/righteous
 - devout ~ pious
 - self-controlled

Elder Qualifications

- **negatively speaking**
 - not given to drunkenness
 - not violent/a striker, *but gentle*
 - not quarrelsome/a fighter
 - not a lover of money
 - not fond of sordid gain
 - not arrogant
 - not short-tempered

Capability

- to teach (1 Tim 3:2; Tit 1:9)
 - exhorting in sound doctrine
 - **refuting error**
- to administer
 - as evidenced by his homelife
 - faithful children (Titus 1:6)
 - not dissolute (lax in morals; licentious.)
 - not rebellious
 - **well-managed household** (1 Tim 3:4,5)

Maturity (1 Tim 3:6,7)

- not a novice/new convert
- not one of bad reputation in public life

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BELIEVERS DUTIES
IN THE
HOUSEHOLD OF GOD
TOWARDS
LEADERSHIP

Elders in the Church- Believers DUTY

- The believers should give honor to the elders and submit to their leadership
 - (Heb 13:17)
 - “Obey your leaders and submit to them,
 - for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account.

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 - and not with groaning,
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Elders in the Church- Believers DUTY

There can be matters of faith or practice that can be challenged by the believers in a local church as each one may seem to understand the Word of God. Not all things are very clear and explicit.

Elders in the Church- Believers DUTY

But the believers should allow the leadership to make their interpretation as they see in the Word of God, **in that local assembly**, and continue in full harmony within the body of local believers. In case one cannot; the spiritual options are limited.

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“If you find a perfect
church don't join it:
You'd spoil it.”

Billy Graham

Elders in the Church- Believers DUTY

- Elders are people too! 😊
 - They have emotions
 - Feelings
 - Hurts
 - Frustrations
 - Disappointments
 - Failures

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- The believers should give **honor** to the elders and **submit** to their leadership
–(1Ti 5:17) Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of **double honor**, especially those who labor in **preaching and teaching**.

Elders in the Church- Believers DUTY

1. **To Respect** (1 Tim 5:17, 1Th 5:12-13 etc)
2. **To Submit** (Heb 13:17, 1 Pe 2.13, 5:5, etc)
3. **To Obey** (Heb 13:17, Php 2:12)
4. **To Esteem** (1 Th 5:13)
5. **To Love** (1 Th 5:13)

Believers DUTY

6. **To Pray** (1 Th 5:25, 1ol 4:3 etc)
7. **To communicate** (Jam 5:14)
8. **To give the benefit of the doubt** (accusation accepted only with multiple witnesses. 1 Tim 5:19)
9. **To Discipline**
(For known public sin - 1 Tim 5:20)

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1 TIMOTHY AT A GLANCE

Focus	Doctrine	Public Worship	False Teachers	Church Discipline	Pastoral Motives
Reference	1:1 ————— 2:1 ————— 4:1 ————— 5:1 ————— 6:1 ————— 6:21				
Division	Problem Of False Doctrine	Public Worship And Leadership	Preserve True Doctrine	Prescriptions For Widows And Elders	Pastoral Motivations
Topic	Warning	Worship	Wisdom	Widows	Wealth
	Dangers Of False Doctrine	Directions For Worship	Defense Against False Teachers	Duties Toward Others	Dealings With Riches
Location	Written In Macedonia				
Time	C. A.D. 62–63				

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2 TIMOTHY AT A GLANCE

Focus	Persevere In Present Testings			Endure In Future Testings		
Reference	1:1 ————— 1:6 ————— 2:1 ————— 3:1 ————— 4:1 ————— 4:6 ————— 4:22					
Division	Thanksgiving For Timothy's Faith	Reminder Of Timothy's Responsibility	Characteristics Of A Faithful Minister	Approaching Day Of Apostasy	Charge To Preach The Word	Approaching Death Of Paul
Topic	Power Of The Gospel		Perseverance Of The Gospel	Protector Of The Gospel	Proclamation Of The Gospel	
	Reminder		Requirements	Resistance	Requests	
Location	Roman Prison					
Time	c. A.D. 67					

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TITUS AT A GLANCE

Focus	Appoint Elders		Set Things In Order	
Reference	1:1 ————— 1:10		2:1 ————— 3:1 ————— 3:15	
Division	Ordain Qualified Elders	Rebuke False Teachers	Speak Sound Doctrine	Maintain Good Works
Topic	Protection Of Sound Doctrine		Practice Of Sound Doctrine	
	Organization	Offenders	Operation	Obedience
Location	Probably Written In Corinth			
Time	c. A.D. 63			

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