Titus 2 Women May 8, 2022

Titus 2:3-5, "Older women likewise are to be reverent in their behavior, not malicious gossips nor enslaved to much wine, teaching what is good, ⁴ so that they may encourage the young women to love their husbands, to love their children, ⁵ to be sensible, pure, workers at home, kind, being subject to their own husbands, so that the word of God will not be dishonored."

- 1. Older women are to be reverent in their behavior.
- 2. Older women are not to be malicious gossips.

Malicious gossips: wicked people who imitate the devil in speech.

- 3. Older women are not to be enslaved to much wine.
 - **1 Corinthians 9:24-25,** "Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but only one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may win. ²⁵ Everyone who competes in the games exercises self-control in all things. They then do it to receive a perishable crown, but we an imperishable (crown)."
- 4. Older women are to teach what is good.

Mature ladies in the church, are to grow in these 4 areas:

1. So they may encourage young women to love their husbands and children.

Encourage: to train and instruct in behavior that is becoming and shows good judgment. to bring to one's senses.

- 2. So that young women will be trained to be sensible and pure.
- 3. So that young women will be trained to be workers at home with a kind spirit.

1 Timothy 4:8, "Bodily discipline is only of little profit, but godliness is profitable for all things, since it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come."

4. So that young women will be trained to be subject to their own husbands.

Subject: appropriate respect shown to husbands in the context of Titus 2:5. In the context of Ephesians 5:21, subjection is to show appropriate respect to all people.

Ephesians 5:21, "Be subject to one another in the fear of Christ."

Ephesians 5:25, reads, "Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her."