

# 1 Timothy 3:1-16

## PART VII

{Sunday, December 30, 2012 A.D.}

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### 1 Timothy 3:1-16 (NASB95)

<sup>1</sup> It is a trustworthy statement: if any man aspires to the office of overseer, it is a fine work he desires *to do*.

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<sup>2</sup> **An overseer, then, must be** above reproach, the husband of one wife, temperate, prudent, respectable, hospitable, **able to teach**,<sup>3</sup> not addicted to wine or pugnacious, but gentle, peaceable, free from the love of money.<sup>4</sup> *He must be* one who manages his own household well, keeping his children under control with all dignity<sup>5</sup> (but if a man does not know how to manage his own household, how will he take care of the church of God?),<sup>6</sup> *and* not a new convert, so that he will not become conceited and fall into the condemnation incurred by the devil.<sup>7</sup> And he must have a good reputation with those outside *the church*, so that he will not fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.

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<sup>8</sup> **Deacons likewise must be** men of dignity, not double-tongued, or addicted to much wine or fond of sordid gain,<sup>9</sup> *but* holding to the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience.<sup>10</sup> These men must also first be tested; then let them serve as deacons if they are beyond reproach.<sup>11</sup> Women *must likewise be* dignified, not malicious gossips, but temperate, faithful in all things.<sup>12</sup> Deacons must be husbands of *only one wife, and good managers of their children and their own households*.<sup>13</sup> For those who have served well as deacons obtain for themselves a high standing and great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.

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<sup>14</sup> I am writing these things to you, hoping to come to you before long;<sup>15</sup> but in case I am delayed,

*I write* so that you will know how one ought to conduct himself in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and support of the truth.<sup>16</sup> By common confession, great is the mystery of godliness:

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### ABLE TO TEACH:

i.e. THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

ability and permission

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### 1 Timothy 2:12-14 (NASB95)

<sup>12</sup> But I **do not allow a woman** to teach or exercise authority over a man, but to remain quiet.<sup>13</sup> For **it was Adam who was first created**, *and* then Eve.<sup>14</sup> And *it was* not Adam *who* was deceived, but **the woman being deceived**, fell into transgression.

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### 2 Timothy 3:16-17 (NASB95)

<sup>16</sup> **All Scripture** is inspired by God and **profitable** for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness;<sup>17</sup> so that the man of God may be adequate, **equipped** for every good work.

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### 2 Peter 1:1-11 (NASB95)

<sup>1</sup> Simon Peter, a bond-servant and apostle of Jesus Christ,

To those who have **received a faith of the same kind as ours**, by the righteousness of our God and Savior, Jesus Christ:<sup>2</sup> Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the **knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord**;<sup>3</sup> seeing that His divine power has granted to us **everything pertaining to life and godliness**, through **the true knowledge of Him who called us** by His own glory and excellence.<sup>4</sup> For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, so that by them you may become partakers of *the* divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.<sup>5</sup> Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence, and in *your* moral excellence, **knowledge**,<sup>6</sup> and in *your* knowledge, self-control, and in *your* self-control, perseverance, and in *your* perseverance, **godliness**,<sup>7</sup> and in *your* godliness, brotherly kindness, and in *your* brotherly kindness, love.<sup>8</sup> For **if these qualities are yours and are increasing**, they render you **neither useless nor unfruitful in the true knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ**.<sup>9</sup> For he who lacks these *qualities* is blind or short-sighted, having forgotten *his* purification from his former sins.<sup>10</sup> Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about His calling and choosing you; for as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble;<sup>11</sup> for in this way the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be abundantly supplied to you.

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**Ephesians 4:11-16 (NASB95)**

<sup>11</sup> And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as **pastors and teachers**, <sup>12</sup> for the **equipping of the saints for the work of service**, to the building up of the body of Christ; <sup>13</sup> until we all attain to the **unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ**. <sup>14</sup> As a result, we are **no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming**; <sup>15</sup> **but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ**, <sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.

**John 21:15-17 (NASB95)**

<sup>15</sup> So when they had finished breakfast, Jesus said\* to Simon Peter, "Simon, *son* of John, **do you love Me** more than these?" He said\* to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said\* to him, "**Tend My lambs**." <sup>16</sup> He said\* to him again a second time, "Simon, *son* of John, **do you love Me**?" He said\* to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said\* to him, "**Shepherd My sheep**." <sup>17</sup> He said\* to him the third time, "Simon, *son* of John, **do you love Me**?" Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, "Do you love Me?" And he said to Him, "Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You." Jesus said\* to him, "**Tend My sheep**."

**2 Timothy 2:15 (NASB95)**

<sup>15</sup> Be **diligent** to present yourself approved to God as a **workman** who does not need to be ashamed, **accurately handling the word of truth**.

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**ELDERS:** {serve Christ as under-shepherds by exercising spiritual authority over the local visible church – through preaching/teaching/counseling & ruling/discipline & prayer & etc}

<sup>2</sup> **An overseer, then, must be . . . able to teach,**

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**DEACONS & DEACONESSES:** {serve Christ by serving His church with their spiritual gifts – do not function as exercising authority over church members – basically ALL other functions which are non-specific to elders}

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<sup>11</sup> **Women must likewise be . . .**