

**Reflection Questions:** Is my everyday speech *fitting for sound doctrine?*

How do I measure up to the qualities of being *temperate, dignified, sensible, sound in faith, in love, in perseverance?* Am I seeing ongoing progress in my sanctification? How do I measure this?

How can we pray for one another this week?



Titus 2:1-2

*Sermon*  
Notes

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1. Overview

**Quotes to Ponder**

*All true believers are expected to have their faith reflected in their conduct and to have their conduct affirm their faith.*

R. Kent Hughes

*Few portions of the New Testament excel this chapter. It may well form the creed, system of ethics, and text book of every Christian preacher. Does any man inquire what is the duty of a gospel minister? Send him to the second chapter of the Epistle to Titus for a complete answer.*

Adam Clarke

*The Bible is a book that tells us how to live. It is the height of hypocrisy to say that we believe its truth if we ignore how it tells us to live our lives. We don't always like it, but we always need to hear how God expects us to live.*

David Guzik

*No condition and no period of life is to remain unaffected by the sanctifying influence of the gospel.*

J.J. Van Oosterzee

*The church must live within the world, which is fallen, and within cultures, which in various ways express this fallenness, but it must do so critically, measuring everything against the Word of God.*

Philip Towner

*Self-control is one of the essential characteristics of the Christian life, one of the purposes of the Incarnation.*

Walter Lock

*The gospel is to produce godliness in the lives of those within the church, whether old or young, male or female.*

*We are to love God supremely, fellow believers genuinely, and lost humanity fervently.*

Daniel L. Akin

2. Older Men

1. What in the text/sermon impacted you most? Encouraged you? Con-  
victed you? Challenged you? Confused you? Comforted you?

*2 Timothy 1:13* —

*Titus 2:2* —

2. Read *Titus 2:1-10*. What three purposes clauses are given here and  
what do they mean?

*2 Timothy 4:3* —

*Titus 2:8* —

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7. Define *older men* (*Titus 2:2*).

2.

8. What does it mean to *be temperate*?

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3. Why must *sound doctrine* (*Titus 2:1*) be the proper foundation for godly  
living? Give examples of how this works.

*Dignified?*

4. Why is it important for the church to include young and old, male and  
female, together (*Titus 2:1-8*)? What are some practical ramifications  
of this?

*Sensible?*

5. What contrast does Paul make in *Titus 2:1*?

*Sound in faith?*

6. What is *sound doctrine* (*Titus 2:1*)?

*Sound in love?*

What do these verses add to my understanding of *sound doctrine*?

*1 Timothy 1:10* —

*Titus 1:9* —

9. Why does Paul use *perseverance* instead of *hope* in this triad of Chris-  
tian qualities (*1 Corinthians 13:13; Colossians 1:4-5; 1 Thessalonians*  
*1:3; 1 Timothy 6:11; 2 Timothy 3:10*)?

*1 Timothy 6:3* —

*Titus 1:13* —

10. Are the commands in *Titus 2:2* only for *older men*? Explain.