

Titus 1:6-7

Part 2, Biblical
Eldership

Review (Titus 1:5)

Two Good Reason for Elders

- Fixing What is Lacking
- Appointing Elders

What Elders Do

Blameless (Titus 1:6-7)

Elder Qualifications

- Purpose
- Scope
- Expectation
- Qualifications Explained (Part 1)

Purpose of these Qualifications

- To Protect the Flock
- Set a Recognized Standard
- Guard Against Cronyism

Scope of these Qualifications

- Start From the Time of Conversion
- At All Times and Places
- Must Be the Normal Established Consistent Behavior

Expectation of these Qualifications

- These qualifications are a picture of Christian maturity
- We are all called to Christian Maturity
- We are not all called to be Elders

Blameless (ä-ne'n-klā-tos)

that cannot be called into to account,
unreproveable, unaccused, blameless

- **Colossians 1:21-22** *And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled 22 in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight—*

The husband of one wife

- (Literally) A one woman man

having **faithful** children not accused of dissipation or insubordination

- **(Faithful)** trusty, faithful
 - one who kept his plighted faith, worthy of trust
 - that can be relied on
 - believing, confiding, trusting
- in the NT one who trusts in God's promises
 - one who is convinced that Jesus has been raised from the dead
 - one who has become convinced that Jesus is the Messiah and author of salvation

having faithful children not accused of **dissipation** or insubordination

- (Dissipation)(Prodigal son living)

1. "a descent into drunkenness and sexual dissipation"

2. Squandering of money, energy, or resources

having faithful children not accused of
dissipation or **insubordination**

- (Insubordination)

1. Defiance of authority; refusal to obey orders.

must be blameless, as a **steward** of God

- (Steward)

1. the manager of household or of household affairs

(Already functioning in the role before recognized or ordained to the position)

not self-willed

- Self-willed: obstinately doing what one wants in spite of the wishes or orders of others.
- Obedient to the will and Word of God

not quick-tempered

Quick-tempered

- easily made angry
- prone to anger

Proverbs 16:32 *He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty, And he who rules his spirit than he who takes a city.*

not given to wine

- pä'-roi-nos: given to wine, drunken

Eph 5:18 And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit,

not violent

- **Violent:** using or involving physical force intended to hurt, damage, or kill someone or something.

***James 1:19** So then, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath;*

not greedy for money

Greedy

- eager for base gain
- having or showing an intense and selfish desire for something,

1 Tim 6:10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

Elder Qualifications

1. if a man is blameless,
2. the husband of one wife,
3. having faithful children not accused of dissipation or insubordination.

4. For a bishop must be blameless, as a steward of God,
5. not self-willed,
6. not quick-tempered,
7. not given to wine,
8. not violent,
9. not greedy for money