

Titus 1:8-9

Part 3, Biblical
Eldership

Review (Titus 1:8-9)

Elder Qualifications

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

Elder Qualifications (Review)

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

Elder Qualifications (Part 3)

10. Hospitable

11. Lover of Good

12. Sober-minded

13. Just

14. Holy

15. Self-controlled

16. holding fast the faithful word as he has been taught, that he may be able, by sound doctrine, both to exhort and convict those who contradict.

Purpose of these Qualifications

- To Protect the Flock
- Set a Recognized Standard
- Guard Against Favoritism / 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

hospitable

friendly and welcoming to strangers or guests

- *Heb 13:2 Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some have unwittingly entertained angels.*
- *1 Peter 4:9 Be hospitable to one another without grumbling.*

a lover of what is good

loving goodness

- *Mark 10:18* So Jesus said to him,
“Why do you call Me good? No one is
good but One, that is, God.”

sober-minded

1. of a sound mind, sane, in one's senses
2. (NLT)- He must live wisely

just



1. in a wide sense, upright, righteous, virtuous
 2. in a narrower sense, rendering to each his due and that in a judicial sense, passing just judgment on others,
- ***Proverbs 21:15 (NLT) Justice is a joy to the godly, but it terrifies evildoers.***

holy

undefiled by sin, free from wickedness,
religiously observing every moral
obligation, pure holy, pious

- *1 Corinthians 1:2 I am writing to God's church in Corinth, to you who have been called by God to be his own holy people. He made you holy by means of Christ Jesus,*

self-controlled (en-krö-tā's)

restraint exercised over one's own impulses, emotions, or desires

**This word
used 1 time
in the NT**



holding fast the faithful word
as he has been taught

to hold before or against, hold back,
withstand, endure

1Th 5:14 Now we exhort you, brethren,
warn them that are unruly, comfort the
feeble-minded, **support (G472) the weak**, be
patient toward all men.

that he may be able, by **sound doctrine,**

Sound: of Christians whose opinions are free from any mixture of error

Doctrine: Biblical Teachings

Not By Personal Opinion

both to exhort and **convict** those who
contradict

Exhort: strongly encourage or urge
(someone) to do something.

Convince / Convict: by conviction to bring
to the light, to expose

Contradict: deny the truth of (a statement),
esp. by asserting the opposite.

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