

Session 17

Titus

Introduction to the pastoral epistles

1 Timothy 3vs14-15 – “I hope to come to you soon, but I am writing these things to you so that, if I delay, you may know how one ought to behave in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, a pillar and buttress of the truth.”

2 Timothy 2vs1-2 – “You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also.”

Titus 1vs5 – “This is why I left you in Crete, so that you might put what remained into order, and appoint elders in every town as I directed you.”

Get good teachers in place (Titus 1vs6-9)

- His family
- His relationship with others
- His love of what is good
- His blamelessness
- His firmness in the truth

Three more lessons on eldership

- Plurality
- Appointment
- Priority

Teach the truth (the rest of the letter!)

- Teach whom?
 - False teachers
 - True believers
- Teach how?
- Teach what?