

TITUS...
THE “GOOD WORKS”
BOOK!

“To Set in Order
What Is Lacking”

TITUS STUDIES...

TWO-FOLD APPLICATION

“Setting Straight What is Lacking”

In Our Church

And In Our Personal Lives

Paul's Purposes, Titus 1:5.

- ✓ “To set in order what remains...”
- ✓ “To appoint elders in every city, as Paul had directed him!”

The Church's Spiritual Leaders...

Their Titles:

- “Elders”: Presbuteros ⇒ “Spiritual Maturity” and “Respect”
- “Overseers”
 (“Bishops”): Episcopos ⇒ “Authority and Leadership.”
- Pastor/Shepherd: ⇒ “Function and ministry.”

The Church's Spiritual Leaders...

Their Identification/Selection:

No "Prescription"...Only Illustration and Example

- Appointed by Apostles, Acts 14:23.
- Appointed by Apostolic Delegates, Titus 1:5-6.
- Appointed by a local church, based on an evaluation of qualifications, I Timothy 3:1ff, similar to the principle of Acts 6:1-7, esp. v. 3-5.

Deacons

- “Mentioned,” Philippians 1:1
- “Qualified,” I Timothy 3:8-12
- “Prototype,” Acts 6:1-7.

“Cognate Words”

SERVE	Verb	Diakoneō
SERVICE	Action	Diakonia
SERVANT	Person	Diakonos

Deacon

So Deacons serve in the area
of the physical and material needs,
to free the elders to serve
in the area of the spiritual needs...
prayer, study, teaching, discipleship.

Qualifications for Elders/Overseers/Pastors:

DISCLAIMER: While this list is REQUIRED for Elders, these are characteristics that EVERY BELIEVER should strive for!

CONSIDER other, similar lists that are NOT limited to “Leaders”...

“Setting
Straight
That Which
Is Lacking”



YOU MUST BE AT LEAST THIS TALL

Qualifications for Elders/Overseers/Pastors:

- “Above reproach,” 1:6, 7.

Literally, “not called in”

So there is nothing in his life that he can be
“called into account for.”

Not sinless perfection, but...

he “keeps short accounts with sin.”

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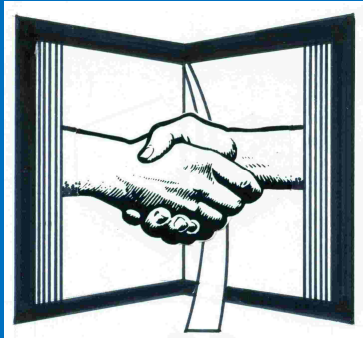
- “Above reproach,” 1:6, 7.
- “Husband of one wife,” 6
 - ? Must be married?
 - ? Not a polygamist?
 - ? Cannot be divorced? ←
 - ? Cannot remarry if wife dies?
 - ? “One woman kind of man”? ←

Qualifications for Elders/Overseers/Pastors:

- “Above reproach,” 1:6, 7.
- “Husband of one wife,” 6
- “Having children who are faithful,” 6
 - “Not accused of dissipation or rebellion,” 6.

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“Setting in order
what is lacking!”



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