Godly Leadership Titus 1:1-16, Pew Bible p. 998 May 12, 2024

I. 3 Indispensable Attributes of Faith in Christ (V. 1-4)

- A. <u>Knowledge</u> of God.
- B. <u>Godliness</u> in life.
- C. <u>Hope</u> in death.

II. Reasons Why We Need Godly Leaders (V. 5-16)

- A. We need godly leaders because of their example.
- B. We need godly leaders because of their teaching.
 - 1. <u>Instructing</u> us in the right thing.
 - 2. Rebuking us for the wrong thing.
- C. We need godly leaders because of their <u>authority</u>.
 - 1. <u>Silence</u> false teaching.
 - 2. Shame sinful living.

Group Discussion Questions

- 1. Read Titus 1:1-16.
- 2. How does our knowledge of God lead to godliness, as verse 1 says? What are some reasons our knowledge of God does not always lead to godliness?
- 3. What does eternal life have to do with our godliness, according to verse 2? If we were not sure about eternal life, what does that say about the purpose of godliness in this life?
- 4. Why do you think verses 6-8 spend so much time on the personal example that a man must be in order to be a pastor? Share about a time in your life when a pastor's personal life kept you from sin.
- 5. Why is it so important that a pastor BOTH instruct believers in obedience AND rebuke for disobedience (V. 9)? Isn't just telling everyone the right answers enough? Why?
- 6. Share about a time in your life when you witnessed a pastor biblically rebuke someone for ungodly living, either publicly or privately. What did you feel when he gave that rebuke, and what was the result?
- 7. Pray for our church to have strong, godly leadership to strengthen the faith of the disciples of Christ. Come to the church prayer meeting this Wednesday from 6:00–6:30 pm in Worship Center Room 103.



Psalm 145:17-20 (ESV)

¹⁷ The LORD is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works. ¹⁸ The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. ¹⁹ He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them. ²⁰ The LORD preserves all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy.

Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting

 Praying that God would continue sending non-Christians to our church gatherings and that they would be compelled to call Christ their Lord.

Pray for Our Church Family Needs:

- PRAY for missions and missionaries:
 Andy & Lindsay M. in Spain; Luke P. in Maricopa, Arizona; Nathan & Becky F. in Indonesia;
 Doug & Cheryl D. in Thailand; Jules S. in Thailand; and Sylvia M. and Andrew M. at ASU West,
 Glendale, Arizona.
- PRAY for all our students: elementary school, middle school, high school, and college. No
 matter whether they are in the classroom, an online setting, or a home school setting, our
 students are forming minds that need to focus on Christ.
- PRAY for family & friends of church members who need salvation or to renew their relationship with Jesus:
 Sharon L. (children & grandchildren); Marge D. (son, Matthew); Rezwana D. (parents);
 Margaret J. (Tom & Bob); Sophia W. (husband); Ida S. (granddaughter & her husband);
 Charity M. (daughter); Kayla P. (nephew, Jordan); Gary & Betty B. (grandchildren & siblings);
 and V. family (Ashley & Jesse); Michelle LaM. (son); and Debbie B. (son-in-law)
- PRAY for families who are grieving the recent loss of loved ones:
 Gary & Betty B. (her sister); Dick & Peggy T. (nephew); Stan & Lori F. (his mother); Tom & Joy M. (her mother); and family of LeRoy H.
- PRAY for those struggling with ongoing health and other issues:
 Leon V. (chemo); Jan B. (health); Debbie P. (health); Marge D. (health); Jacque B. (health);
 Kathy W. (health); Ken R. (health); Sherri O. (surgery recovery); Susan K. (surgery recovery);
 April H.-F. (medication); Laura M. (health); Michelle LaM. (medical procedures); Matthew M. (employment & housing); John P. (surgery recovery); Debbie B. (radiation); Jacque B. (health);
 Randie A. (health); Bonnie V. (health concerns); Jeff S. (surgery recovery); Jan O. (surgery recovery); Joy M. (surgery recovery); Mimi M. (ongoing health issues); Rita H. (in hospice); and Kelly J. (secondary surgery)
- PRAY for others that you are aware of.