

"A Good Church" Having a Vitality Vibe Titus 1:1-9

## It encourages:

I. Commitment – "an apostle of Jesus Christ" (vs. 1-3)

Seen by it's:

- A. Mo\_\_\_\_\_\_ "Paul, a servant of God"
- **B.** *Mi*\_\_\_\_ "acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness"
- C. Me\_\_\_\_\_ "eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised"

II. Comradery – "ordain elders in every city" (vs. 4-5) Seen by it's:

A. Fam\_\_\_\_\_ – "To Titus, mine own son"

- **B.** Fa\_\_\_\_\_ "after the common faith"
- *C. F*\_\_\_\_\_– "set in order the things that are wanting"

 III. Character – "For a bishop must be blameless"
 (vs. 6-9)

 Seen by their:
 (vs. 6-9)

- A. Ho\_\_\_\_\_ "the husband of one wife, having faithful children"
- **B.** *Hu*\_\_\_\_\_ "not selfwilled, not soon angry,... no striker"
- **C.** *Ho*\_\_\_\_\_ "But a lover of hospitality, a lover of good men"

**D.** *Ho*\_\_\_\_\_ – "Holding fast the faithful word"

Sentence Sermon

A ''good church'' is a place where the Gospel is faithfully preached, love is actively practiced, community is fostered, and individuals are encouraged to grow in their faith.

## Additional Verses

- Titus 2:2,13
- I Thessalonians 1:2-10
- I Timothy 2:4; 3:1-13; 6:5
- II Timothy 2:25; 3:7
- Colossians 3:12
- > II Thessalonians 4:3-12
- > Ephesians 2:10; 4:11-16
- I Peter 1:20; 5:1-2
- Matthew 12:19-21
- James 1:19-20
- > I Corinthians 4:1-2
- ➢ Ezekiel 34:1-16

## Questions to Ponder

- 1. What are the key words or phrases in this passage?
- 2. Who are the central characters of the passage?
- 3. How can you tell if a child is not a believer? Why is it relevant?
- 4. Why did Paul tell Titus to ordain "elders (plural) in every church?"
- 5. What did Paul mean by "setting things in order"
- 6. Why is being "quick tempered" a dangerous thing for a leader?
- 7. What is the relationship between truth and godliness?
- 8. Why is being hospitable so important?
- 9. How can a believer hold fast the faithful word?
- 10. Why do you think wine is mentioned in the qualifications?
- 11. What does it mean to hope in God's promises?