

### FOLLOWING THE MESSAGE

**Ch 1- qualifications of church leadership** – theology/personal character

**Ch 2- character and conduct of the church**- among themselves

**Ch 3- character and conduct of the church**- before unbelieving world

1) The “speaking” referred to in vs 1 is **CONVERSATION** oriented. The word used is Laleo- (Speak) - refers to ordinary, everyday conversation.

2) You are a living witness to the power of your **SAVIOR** to **TRANSFORM**.

3) Vs 2 The “older men” here are men of **ADVANCED AGE**, (not position).

4) Vs 3 “older” – Seems to be referring to women **OVER 50** yrs of age.

5) Vs 3 “in their behavior”- denotes a manner of life which is expressive of an **INNER CHARACTER**.

6) Vs 4 Women who “love their husbands” are:

a.) Putting his needs before her own

b.) Have a **THANKFUL** and **CHEERFUL HEART**.

*This truly speaks to the issue of contentment.*

7) *Although a good woman can lift up a poor husband, a good man cannot make up for the qualities lacking in the behavior of a poor wife.*

8) Vs 5 indicates that young women with children at home are given the special task of being a **GUARD** for the activities and **ACTIONS** in their home.

9) vs 5 “being subject to their own husbands” – reminds us that a wife is a special treasure and she has the unique God-given task of voluntarily accepting the headship of the husband (Eph 5:22-24).

10) In it’s fullest expression, the “love” spoken of in vs 5 is extremely demanding as a **WIFE** and **MOM** seeks to **FULLFILL** her obligation. However, the end result is that “the word of God will not be dishonored”.

11) Vs 6 Since young men are inclined to be **SPONTANEOUS**; their basic need is to be “self-controlled,” cultivating **SELF - RESTRAINT** in daily practice.

12) Vs 7 Paul wrote to Titus more about being an **EXAMPLE** than he did about Titus being a preacher.

### GREEK WORDS USED TODAY

**Laleo-** (Speak) - refers to ordinary, everyday conversation

**Hygiaino** (hoog-ee-ah’ee-no) to have sound *health, be well* (in body); figurative to be *uncorrupt* (true in doctrine):- whole (-some)

**Presbutes**, pres-boo’-tace an *old man* :- aged (man), old man.

**Nephaleos** (nepho); *sober, cautious*:- careful, judicious, circumspect

**Sophron** (so’-frone) *safe (sound) in mind, self-controlled* (as to opinion or passion):- discreet

**Diabolos** (dee-ab’-ol-os) a *traducer*, specially *Satan*:- false accuser, devil, slanderer

**Sophronizo** (to **encourage**) literally- “to cause to be of sound mind and to have self-control”

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**Oikourgos** (a *guard*; be “ware”); a *stayer at home*, i.e. *domestically* (a “good housekeeper”):- keeper at home

**Blasphemeo** - to defame; dishonor

**Parakaleo** (Encourage) - - strongly entreat someone

**Tupos** example (pattern) -type [*impression of a die*] mark (of a blow)

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### Thoughts to consider in the week ahead:

*The true effectiveness of evangelism does not come from manmade methods, strategy, or marketing techniques adapted from the culture, but from the genuine virtue, moral purity, and godliness of believers whose lives give proof of the truth of God’s Word and the power of Christ to redeem men from sin.*

*That is what silences the critics and makes the gospel believable.*

### How can I live the principles of this message?

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### How might these issues be carried into my prayer life?

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