

1 Timothy		Titus		
<u>3:1</u>	one who has aspiration to the office			He aspires to the role of being an elder, bishop, overseer, pastor, shepherd. This does not exclude the possibility that he is sought out and urged to be an elder. But no pressure should be used that would result in an unwilling, half-hearted service.
<u>3:2</u>	above reproach	<u>1:6</u> , <u>7</u>	above reproach	He lives in a way that gives no cause for others to think badly of the church or the faith or the Lord.
<u>3:2</u>	husband of one wife	<u>1:6</u>	husband of one wife	The Greek could literally be translated as “one-woman man.” In other words, a elder must be absolutely loyal to the woman he is married to.
<u>3:2</u> <u>3:3</u>	sober-minded not a drunkard	<u>1:8</u> <u>1:7</u>	disciplined not . . . a drunkard	He exercises self-control and mastery of his appetites. He prizes freedom from enslavements to such a degree that no bondage is yielded to.
<u>3:2</u>	self-controlled	<u>1:8</u>	self-controlled	He is sensible. He is prudent. He is reasonable. He has good judgment. He sees things as they really are. He knows himself well. He understands people and how they respond. He is in touch with reality, such that there are no great gaps between what he sees in himself and what others see in him.
<u>3:2</u>	respectable			He is honorable and dignified. He comports himself in situations so as not to step on toes unnecessarily. He does not offend against propriety.
<u>3:2</u>	hospitable	<u>1:8</u>	hospitable	He loves strangers. He is given to being kind to newcomers. He makes them feel at home. His home is open for ministry. He does not shrink back from having guests; he is not a secretive person.

<u>3:2</u>	able to teach	<u>1:9</u>	able to give instruction	He is an apt teacher, skilled in teaching. He knows biblical doctrine well and is able to explain it to people. He is astute enough theologically that he can spot serious error and show a person why it is wrong and harmful.
<u>3:3</u>	not violent	<u>1:7</u>	not . . . violent	He is not pugnacious or belligerent. His temper is under control. He is not given to quarreling or fighting. He has a conciliatory bent. His feelings are not worn on his sleeve. He does not carry resentments. He is not hypercritical.
<u>3:3</u>	gentle			He is not harsh or mean-spirited. He is inclined to tenderness. He resorts to toughness only when the circumstances commend this form of love. His words are not acid or divisive but helpful and encouraging.
<u>3:3</u>	not quarrelsome	<u>1:7</u>	not arrogant or quick-tempered	He is peaceable. He is lowly in his demeanor, not speaking much of himself or his achievements. He counts others better than himself and is quick to serve. He sincerely gives God the credit and honor for any accomplishments.
<u>3:3</u>	not a lover of money	<u>1:7</u>	not . . . greedy for gain	He puts the kingdom first in all he does. His lifestyle does not reflect a love of luxury. He is a generous giver. He is not anxious about his financial future. He is not so money-oriented that ministry decisions revolve around this issue.
<u>3:4–5</u>	a good manager of his own household; cares for God’s church; keeps his children submissive	<u>1:6–7</u>	a steward; his children are faithful, not insubordinate	He is the leader of a well-ordered household. If he has children, they are submissive (not perfect, but well-disciplined, so that they do not blatantly and regularly disregard the instructions of their parents). His children revere him. He is a loving and responsible spiritual leader in the home. He respects and tenderly loved his wife, if he is married. Their relationship is openly admirable.
<u>3:6</u>	not a recent convert			He is a maturing believer. There are evidences in his life that humility is a fixed virtue and not easily overturned.
<u>3:7</u>	well thought of by outsiders			He meets the standards of the world for decency and respectability (as the standards of the church are higher).

		<u>1:8</u>	a lover of good	He loves to be involved in doing good. More than merely doing good, he has a bent and love to see goodness done. He is an expansive person.
		<u>1:8</u>	upright	He cares about whether people are treated fairly. He wants to see justice in the world at all levels.
		<u>1:8</u>	holy	He is a person of devotion to Christ with a life of prayer and meditation. He loves worship and has a deep personal relationship with the Lord.

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