

The Gospel and the Working Person

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Series – Titus: Sound Doctrine, Sound Life (Part 17)

Introduction:

III. Sound Doctrine and Pastoral Exhortation (2:1-15)

A. Call to Pastoral Exhortation Issued (2:1)

But you, you keep speaking the things which are befitting to healthy doctrine [DJP]

B. Specifics of Pastoral Exhortation Detailed (2:2-10)

1. Opening observations
2. To older men (2:2)
3. To older women (2:3-5)
4. To younger men (2:6-8)
5. To slaves (2:9-10)
 - a. Larger Biblical background
 - i. Work in the Bible
 - (1) Its roots (Gen. 1:26-30; 2:15)

 - (2) Its thorns (Gen. 3:17-19)

 - (3) Its _____
 - (a) Pro. 12:24

 - (b) Pro. 14:23

 - (c) Pro. 16:26

 - (d) Pro. 22:29

 - (4) Its opposite
 - (a) Pro. ____:____-____

 - (b) Pro. 13:4

 - (c) Pro. 26:13-16

 - (5) Its aims
 - (a) _____ward
 - (i) Pro. 30:7-9

 - (ii) 1 Cor. 10:31

 - (iii) 1 Tim. ____:____

 - (b) _____ward
 - (i) Eph. 4:28

(ii) 1 Thess. 4:11-12

(iii) 2 Thess. 3:10-12

(6) In sum:

ii. Slavery in the Bible

(1) Old Testament (very briefly)

(2) New Testament

1 Tim. 1:10; Rev. 18:13

But:

(i) 1 Cor. 12:13; Gal. 3:28; Col. 3:11

(ii) 1 Cor. 7:21-23

(iii) Philemon 15-16

(iv) Eph. 6:9; Col. 4:1

iii. Slavery and work

b. Paul's exhortation to slaves (Titus 2:9-10)

i. How to serve their masters (2:9-10a)

Exhort slaves to subordinate themselves to their own masters in all *respects*, to be well-pleasing, not contradicting,^{1 10} not embezzling, but *instead* exhibiting all good faith...

(1) Respect

(a) "Subordinating themselves to their own masters in all respects"

(b) "To be well-pleasing"

(c) "Not contradicting"

(2) Rectitude ("not embezzling")

(3) Reliability ("but instead exhibiting all good faith")

ii. How to serve their Lord (2:10b – "in order that they might adorn the doctrine of our Savior God in all *respects*")

¹ Or "talking back."