

## *A Mature Man - Titus 1 and 2, 1 Timothy 2 and 3*

Paul describes what an elder and decan should look like in their spiritual lives. Since these men were the spiritual leaders of the local church, their description is a good standard for us.

As you work through the passages for a mature man and a mature woman and the freeing truth they give us, be sure to look at the contrasts that are included and at what the opposite of the truth would look like.

### *Titus 1:6-9*

An elder must be blameless, faithful to his wife, a man whose children believe and are not open to the charge of being wild and disobedient. Since an overseer manages God's household, he must be blameless—not overbearing, not quick-tempered, not given to drunkenness, not violent, not pursuing dishonest gain. Rather, he must be hospitable, one who loves what is good, who is self-controlled, upright, holy and disciplined. He must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it.

What do you see in this passage about what a mature man in the faith should look like? \_\_\_\_\_

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### *Titus 2:2*

Teach the older men to be temperate, worthy of respect, self-controlled, and sound in faith, in love and in endurance.

What do you see in this passage? \_\_\_\_\_

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