

Questions for Consideration—*With the Master Living in Purity*
Lesson 2— Purity in the Leadership—Titus 1:5-9

1. (a) Read Titus 1:5-9 along with 1 Timothy 3:1-7. Which qualifications for leadership are the same in these two passages? (b) Which ones are different? (c) Why do you think the list of qualifications is not the same in these passages? (d) Why is it imperative that elders in the church possess these qualities?

2. Memorize Titus 1:5.

3. (a) Paul tells Titus that elders must hold fast to sound doctrine so that they may encourage and exhort others. Looking over Titus alone, what would be some of the doctrines that would be encouraging, and what are some doctrines that would be exhortative? (b) Why are both necessary?

4. (a) Besides the leadership of the church, who else is to be of sober mind according to Titus chapter two? (b) Why is it essential for a believer to be sober-minded according to 1 Thessalonians 5:1-10, 1 Peter 1:13-16, and 1 Peter 5:8? (c) Would others say you are a sober-minded woman? (Private question)

5. (a) What are some of the other responsibilities for elders according to 1 Peter 5:1-4? (b) Why are elders to be the example for the sheep to follow according to this passage?

6. (a) Does your church choose leadership based on the qualifications mentioned here in Titus? (b) If you concluded that a leader in your church was disqualified according to the Scriptures, what would you do?

7. Please write a prayer request for the leadership in your church.