

“GROWING A HEALTHY CHURCH” (part 3)
“Wanted: Trained Young People”
(Titus 2:4b-8)

- ▶ **Introductory Principle** - When you think Biblically, you have a goal and a vision for your church which will OUTLIVE you!!
- ▶ After talking about qualities for elderly men & elderly women, Paul lists 7 qualities which elderly women need to pass on to younger women. **2:4a** – “so that they may encourage” –

#1---Be a _____ Lover! (2:4)
 -I Thessalonians 4:9

#2---Be a _____ Lover! (2:4)
 -II Timothy 3:2-3

#3---Be _____! (2:5)

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 -I Timothy 2:9-10 – “modestly and discreetly”

#5---Be a _____! (2:5)
 -Proverbs 31:10-31

#6---Be _____! (2:5)

#7---Be _____! (2:5)

-Why is all this so important? “so the Word of God will not be dishonored” (2:5b) cf. II Samuel 12:14

- ▶ The counsel for young men comes with a different tone and flavor, “Likewise, URGE the young men...” (2:6)

1st Directive – In Attitude, be _____! (2:6)
 -II Timothy 2:22; Galatians 5:22-23

2nd Directive – In Lifestyle, be an _____! (2:7-8)

-“In all things show yourself to be an example” (2:7)

- a. “good deeds” (2:7)
 -Ephesians 2:10; Titus 3:14
- b. “purity in doctrine” (2:7)
- c. “dignified” (2:7)
- d. “sound speech which is beyond reproach” (2:8a)
 -Ephesians 4:29; James 3:2

-WHY? “so that the opponent will be put to shame, having nothing bad to say about us.” (2:8b)
 -Psalm 19:14; 141:3; I Peter 2:12