

Lesson 12

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Responsibilities of the older women - Cont'd.

Tit 2:3 - Older women likewise are to be reverent in their behavior, not malicious gossips nor enslaved to much wine, teaching what is good,

not malicious gossips -

Older women have the tendency to gossip. Sins of the tongue reflect a disorientation to God's Grace and are the result of Mental attitude sins. The sins of the tongue are very damaging because once they leave your mouth, they cannot be pulled back. We can be sorry for our words after the fact, but the damage is already done. Many families, friends and relationships have been permanently damaged as a result of SOT.

Sins of the tongue - (SOT)

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Here are some points regarding S.O.T.

1. **SOT comes from the OSN.**

Psa. 34:13 - Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit.

2. **SOT are the result of MAS.**

Psa. 5:9 - There is nothing reliable in what they say; Their inward part is destruction itself. Their throat is an open grave; They flatter with their tongue.

3. **Out of the 7 worst sins, three are SOT.**

Prov. 6:16-19 - There are six things which the LORD hates, yes, seven which are an abomination to Him:

17) Haughty eyes, **a lying tongue**, hands that shed innocent blood, 18) a heart that devises wicked plans, feet that run rapidly to evil, 19) **a false witness who utters lies**, and the **one who spreads strife among brothers**

4. **SOT causes compounded discipline.**

Mat 7:1-2 - "Do not judge so that you will not be judged. 2) "For in the way you judge, you will be judged; and by your standard of measure, it will be measured to you.

Psa. 64:8 - So they will make him stumble; Their own tongue is against them; All who see them will shake their head, or they make their tongue a stumbling block for themselves.

5. **SOT can lead to the Sin unto death.**

Psa. 12:3-4 - May the Lord cut off all flattering lips, the tongue that speaks great things. 4) Who have said, "With our tongue we will prevail; Our lips are our own; who is lord over us?"

6. **God protects and blesses believers who are**

Victims of SOT. Job 5:21 - "You will be hidden from the scourge of the tongue, and you will not be afraid of violence when it comes.

7. Believers can lengthen his or her life and enhance our happiness by avoiding SOT.

Psa. 34:12-13 - Who is the man who desires life and loves length of days that he may see good?

13) Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit.

8. Troublemakers are characterized by SOT.

Psa. 52:2-4 - Your tongue devises destruction, like a sharp razor, O worker of deceit. 3) You love evil more than good, falsehood more than speaking what is right. 4) You love all words that devour, O deceitful tongue.

Rom. 16:17-18 - Now I urge you, brethren, keep your eye on those who cause dissensions and hindrances, contrary to the teaching which you learned, and turn away from them. 18) for such men are slaves, not of our Lord Christ but of their own appetites; and by

their smooth and flattering speech they deceive the hearts of the unsuspecting.

9. **Control of the tongue is a sign of spiritual maturity.**

James 3:2-13 - For we all stumble in many ways. If anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able to bridle the whole body as well.

3) Now if we put the bits into the horses' mouths so that they will obey us, we direct their entire body as well. 4) Look at the ships also, though they are so great and are driven by strong winds, are still directed by a very small rudder wherever the inclination of the pilot desires. 5) So also, the tongue is a small part of the body, and yet it boasts of great things. See how great a forest is set aflame by such a small fire! 6) And the tongue is a fire, the very world of iniquity; the tongue is set among our members as that which defiles the entire body, and sets on fire the course of our life, and is set on fire by hell. 7) For every species of beasts and birds, of

reptiles and creatures of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by the human race. 8) But no one can tame the tongue; it is a restless evil and full of deadly poison. 9) With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the likeness of God; 10) from the same mouth come both blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be this way. 11) Does a fountain send out from the same opening both fresh and bitter water? 12) Can a fig tree, my brethren, produce olives, or a vine produce figs? Nor can salt water produce fresh. 13) Who among you is wise and understanding? Let him show by his good behavior his deeds in the gentleness of wisdom.

Prov.21:23 - He who guards his mouth and his tongue, guards his soul from troubles.

10. Since the SOT can destroy a congregation of believers, it is the duty and responsibility of the Pastor-Teacher to warn and encourage against this area of sin.

2 Tim. 2:14-18 - Remind them of these things, and solemnly charge them in the presence of God not to wrangle about words, which is useless and leads to the ruin of the hearers. 15) Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth. 16) But avoid worldly and empty chatter, for it will lead to further ungodliness,

17) and their talk will spread like gangrene. Among them are Hymenaeus and Philetus, 18) men who have gone astray from the truth saying that the resurrection has already taken place, and they upset the faith of some.

11. **Do not run down a Pastor-Teacher unless you want to get zapped by the Lord!**

Isa. 54:17 - "No weapon that is formed against you will prosper; and every tongue that accuses you in judgment you will condemn. This is the heritage of

the servants of the LORD, and their vindication is from Me," declares the LORD.

Nor enslaved to too much wine -

Δουλόω, ("Deuloo") is the Greek word for "slave".

The definition is: (to make someone a slave, or to make one subservient to one's interests, to cause to be like a slave to a controlling sin)

There is nothing wrong with drinking wine or any other alcohol in moderation. Once you get to the buzz point though, you are already starting to become intoxicated.

Notice that "enslaved" to too much wine is how the verse mentions the drinking of wine?

"To be enslaved to", means **we let it control us**. This is where you as a believer must decide if you are enslaved to the wine or are in control of it. You are adults, you know when you are losing control of your drinking.

Now we come to the good in this verse!

Teaching what is good -

Καλοδιδάσκαλος, "Kalodidaskalos" is used this one time in the bible and refers to "honorable teaching of the elderly women". You may remember this scripture about women not teaching in **1 Tim. 2:12**, but this verse is talking about women not teaching men.

1 Tim. 2:12 - But I do not allow a woman to teach or exercise authority over a man, but to remain quiet.

The special use of the word "Kalodidaskalos" is for (women teaching what is good) women teaching women or teaching young people.

Καλός Kalos means meeting a high standard, beautiful, or of moral quality, in any respect blameless, excellent.

Διδάσκαλος Didaskalos means teacher.

These older women have learned things in their lives they can pass on to the younger women. This is how principles are passed down from one generation to another. This verse demonstrates that people in old age still have great opportunity and responsibility.

The man is the family leader and is responsible for earning the living for his family. Women are the mothers, and they are responsible for the households. Mothers have a unique role in teaching their children. This is a huge responsibility. Women can raise their kids to become hooligans or to love God, have respect for authority, and to emphasize positive character traits in the young. Also, they are to teach young women.

Tit 2:4 - so that they may encourage the young women to love their husbands, to love their children,

The older women must teach younger women how to:

1. older women must teach the younger women how to love their husbands. Not all older women are qualified to teach the younger unless they have grown into spiritual maturity and understand God's love. The job of training should come from mothers, but in most cases, the mothers do not have enough bible doctrine to train their daughters, so the older women end up acting as

troubleshooters just like Titus in order to get the job done. It is not necessary for an older woman to have children in order to qualify to be this type of troubleshooter. These women were once young teenaged girls themselves!

How to search for husbands:

- A. Does a man look you in the eye? Does he have shifty eyes? What's his reputation?
- B. Is he a believer?
- C. Does he understand authority?
- D. Is he easily manipulated?
- E. Does he like the same things as you do?
- F. How much does he drink? Does he use illegal drugs?
- G. Is his behavior devious?
- H. Is he pushing you for sex?

Most young girls today are ok with letting their date take them out on a test drive. They will also look past any and all red flags they have in dating. No wonder the

pregnancy rate is so high, the STDs are so abundant, and relationships cannot last past a one nighter.

Eph 5:10-12 - trying to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. 11) Do not participate in the unfruitful deeds of darkness, but instead even expose them; 12) for it is disgraceful even to speak of the things which are done by them in secret.

Here are some things young women could learn about men from older women.

1. You should look for someone who shares your interests. Especially in what they believe.
2. If she likes him, keep her treasure secure until marriage. An easy target will always be taken as in a treasure without security, Her purity will get robbed!
3. If you get serious with him, consider talks about money, how to handle the money and bills to be paid.
4. Talk about your idea for having kids and having a family. Where will you live, work, go to church....

5. She should learn not to command him. Don't boss him around. You will be his help-mate if you marry him.
6. Never talk down to him in front of others. This goes both ways, you are one, not two people who are at odds with one another.
7. She will be under his authority in marriage.
8. To raise their kids properly and teach them about God.

Verse 4 demonstrates that generally, younger women know very little about men. They need guidance and help in this area. Men are commanded to love their wives.

Eph 5:25 - Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her

Eph 5:28-31 - So husbands ought also to love their own wives as their own bodies. He who loves his own wife loves himself; 29) for no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ

also does the church, 30) because we are members of His body. 31) FOR THIS REASON, A MAN SHALL LEAVE HIS FATHER AND MOTHER AND SHALL BE JOINED TO HIS WIFE, AND THE TWO SHALL BECOME ONE FLESH.

A husband is to love his wife, but she is to respect her husband.

Eph 5:33 - Nevertheless, each individual among you also is to love his own wife even as himself, and the wife must see to it that she respects her husband.