

INSTRUCTING GOD'S SAINTS
(Titus 2:1-10)

I. The Urgent Need On Crete (1:5-16)

- A. Set in Order the Things that were Lacking or that Remained Undone There (1:5a)**
- B. Appoint “Qualified” Elders as Spiritual Leaders in the Churches There. (1:5b-9)**
- C. Silence the False Teachers There (1:10-14)**

II. The Instruction of God's Saints (2:1-10)

- A. General Instruction For _____ (2:1)... “But as for you, _____ the things which are proper for _____”**

- Is the Apostle Paul concerned about what the saints of God are hearing?

“speak” (laleo)

“sound (hugiaino) doctrine (didaskalia)”

1. “Sound doctrine” literally means _____ from the Word of God.
2. The point of “sound doctrine” is that it refers to the _____ of the WOG which results in one's _____ for the Lord.

B. Why Is Sound Doctrine So Important?

1. Sound Doctrine is essential for proper spiritual _____ and _____. (2 Timothy 3:13-17)

* What is the starting point for all this?

* Why don't some believers ever get equipped for service?

2. Sound Doctrine is to be the _____ for the faithful pastor-teacher. (2 Tim 4:1-4)

* What happens when people no longer desire sound doctrine?

* If sound teaching is this important, why don't some believers want sound doctrine?

3. Sound doctrine is the means to spiritual _____ in your Christian life. (Ephesians 4:11-16)

* What happens when there is a breakdown in this priority? (4:14)

4. Sound doctrine is necessary for the maintaining of _____ among believers. (Ephesians 4:13; 1 Cor 1:10-12)

5. Sound doctrine has as its standard the _____. (1 Tim 1:8-11)

6. Sound doctrine forms the basis of _____. (John 4:23-24)

• When it comes to doctrine, there are 4 imbalances you need to avoid:

a. Being content with knowledge of doctrine _____ (which only _____ up), instead of mixing truth with faith and _____ (which _____ up). (1 Corinthians 8:1-2)

b. Being self-deceived by only _____ the Word of God, but not _____ it by grace through faith. (James 1:22-23).

c. Being satisfied with an _____ of God's promises—knowing some of them, but not _____ God regarding them. (Hebrews 4:2)

d. Being doctrinally sound, but not _____ and _____ in the Lord with real _____ from the _____. (Psalm 19:14)

• What does all this mean to you?