

FAMILY MATTERS

Designed for
Relationships



Ephesians 2:19

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.



In Christ, God takes strangers
and brings them into His
family.



What is God's purpose for His
new family?

Maturity and Mission



Titus 2:1-8

But as for you, teach what accords with sound doctrine. Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness. Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good,



Titus 2:1-8

and so train the young women to love their husbands and children, to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled. Likewise, urge the younger men to be self-controlled.



Titus 2:1-8

Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity, and sound speech that cannot be condemned, so that an opponent may be put to shame, having nothing evil to say about us.



Job Description: Character of Older Men

v.2 Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness.



Job Description: Character of Older Men

Sober-minded: Steady
Dignified: Earned Respect
Self-controlled
Strong Faith
Strong Love
Steadfastness





Grumpy Old Men?



Job Description: Character of Older Women

v.3 Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine.



Job Description: Conduct

v.1 *Teach what accords with sound doctrine*

v.3 *Teach what is good*

v.4 *Train*

v.7 *Show yourself in all respect to be a model of good works and in your teaching show integrity, dignity and sound speech.*



Training Next Generation: Young Women

v.3b-5 They are to teach what is good, and so train the young women to love their husbands and children, to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled.



John Stott

It would not be legitimate to base on this word either a stay-at-home stereotype for all women, or a prohibition of wives being also professional women. What is rather affirmed is that if a woman accepts the vocation of marriage, and has a husband and children, she will love and not neglect them. . . What he is opposing is not a wife's pursuit of a profession, but "the habit of being idle and going about from house to house."



Training Next Generation: Young Men

v.6 Likewise urge the younger men to be self-controlled.



How can we be more
effective in intergenerational
discipleship?



The Boston Globe

Today we divide people into generations and micro-generations almost obsessively, spending energy and marketing dollars trying to understand how millennials are constitutionally distinct from Gen-Xers. In dividing everybody into categories—tweens, thirtysomethings, senior citizens—our society implicitly treats age as a force that separates us.



Intergenerational Discipleship:

Go 80%

Sacrifice

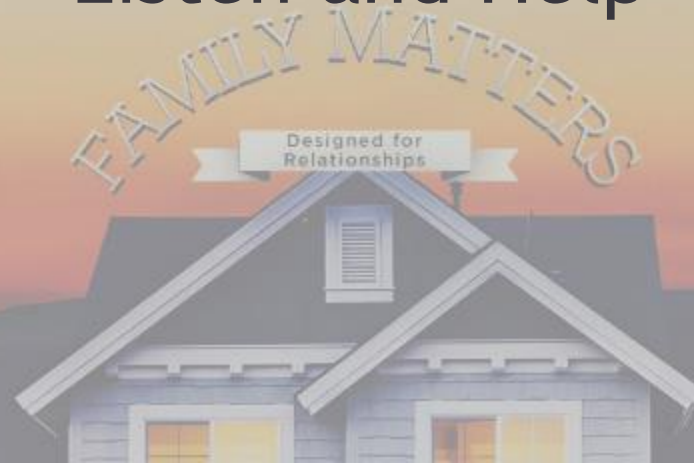
Attend Another Class or Service

Serve in Ministries

Dinner

Babysit

Listen and Help



Younger Men and Women: Pursue seasoned vets!

