

Questions on 1 Timothy chapter 3

1. What is the faithful saying and why is it called that? Verse 1.

2. Is a bishop the same thing as an elder? How do we know that? Verse 1. (See Acts 20:17, Acts 20:28, and Titus 1:5)

3. What is the meaning of “blameless”? Could any single man be an elder? Verse 2.

4. Give another definition for the following words in three words or less. Verse 2.

Vigilant

Sober

Of

good

behavior

Given

to

hospitality

5. Does the phrase “apt to teach” mean “as liable to as not”? If not what is the meaning? Verse 2.

6. Give another definition for the following words in three words or less. Verse 3.

Not given to wine _____

No striker _____

Not greedy of filthy lucre _____

Patient _____

Not a brawler _____

Not covetous _____

7. How could we tell if a man knows how to rule his own house? Verse 4.

8. Would it disqualify a man for the office of elder if his children did not respect him and if they did not honor God? Verse 4.

9. What is the evidence of a man's ability to rule the church? Verse 5.

10. What is a novice? Verse 6.

11. Why would a "novice" be likely to fall into the devil's traps? Verse 6.

12. Who is it that must have respect for a man, besides the members of the church and his family, if a man would be an elder? Verse 7.

13. Why couldn't a man who once lived a dishonest, untruthful, and sinful life make a good elder if he truly has repented? Verse 7.

14. What is another term for deacons? What do you see as the work of a deacon? Verse 8.

15. What is another word for “grave”? Why would a deacon be tempted to be “double-tongued”? Verse 8.

16. Is the use of alcohol as a beverage consistent with Christian character? How could we tell if someone is “greedy of filthy lucre”? Verse 8.

17. What is the “mystery of the faith” and what is the vessel in which to keep it? Verse 9.

18. Before appointing men as deacons, what should the congregation observe, and what should their observation reveal? Verse 10.

19. What are the four qualifications listed for deacons’ wives and also the elders’ wives for that matter? Verse 11.

20. What other qualifications are given for deacons? Verse 12.

21. What type of service would be necessary to “purchase to themselves a good degree” or to obtain a good standing in the sight of God and man? Verse 13.

22. What “things” did Paul regard as so important that he wrote them before he got to Ephesus? Verse 14.

23. Does the expression “house of God” refer to the building? What is the meaning of “the pillar and ground of the truth”? Verse 15.

24. Explain in your own words the meaning and relation of the six phrases in this verse. Verse 16.