



## **SUGGESTED VERSES FOR MEMORIZATION & MEDITATION**

- For an overseer, as God's steward, must be above reproach. He must not be arrogant or quick-tempered or a drunkard or violent or greedy for gain, but hospitable, a lover of good, self-controlled, upright, holy, and disciplined. (Titus 1:7-8)
- He must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught, so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and also rebuke those who contradict it. (Titus 1:9)
- Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. (Hebrews 13:7)

### **READ VERSES 6-8 AND DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING**

1. Paul calls overseers (or elders/pastors) "God's steward." What does it mean to be a steward of God?
2. Paul gives to Titus a long list of qualifications for how an elder ought to live and not live, but all of them can be summed up in the command to be above reproach. What does the apostle mean by being above reproach?

### **READ VERSE 9 AND DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING**

3. In this verse, Paul provides the only listed duty of an overseer. What is that duty? Why is it such a crucial responsibility?

## **ACTIONS TO CONSIDER**

- Consider your relationship to a local church and church leadership. Do you faithfully seek to live out Hebrews 13:7,17?
- Pray specifically for the church's elders and deacons that they would live above reproach in Christ, leading in the church into how to cling to the truth of the gospel.