

Being a Healthy Church

Titus 2:1-8

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Shepherd's Community Church

Doctrine (1)

(Titus 1:9)

Older Men (2)

(1 Timothy 3:2, 8; 6:11; 2 Timothy 3:10; 1 Thessalonians 1:3; 2 Corinthians 4:16)

Older Women (3-4)

(Luke 2:36-38; Titus 1:7)

Younger Women (5-6)

(Ephesians 5:2; 1 Corinthians 7:7; Ephesians 6:4; 1 Timothy 2:9; Proverbs 31:10-31)

Younger Men (7-8)

(Titus 1:8; 2:2)

What Impact can One Life Have on Another?

Discipleship is teaching and encouraging another life in God's word. Consider these examples from the Old and New Testaments and ask, "What life am I impacting for you right now?" If the answer is "no one," make this a matter of prayer for God to give you this opportunity.

Jethro and Moses
(Exodus 18)

Jethro taught his son-in-law the invaluable lesson of delegation

Moses and Joshua
(Deut 31:1-8, 34:9)

Moses prepared Joshua to lead Israel into Canaan

Moses and Caleb
(Num 13; 14:6-9;
34:16-19; Josh 14:6-15)

It appears that Moses groomed Caleb for leadership, and inspired in him an unswerving faith in the Lord's promises.

Samuel and David
(1 Sam 16; 19:18-24)

Samuel anointed David as king and gave him refuge from Saul's murderous plots.

Elijah and Elisha
(1 Kings 19:16-21;
2 Kings 2:1-16; 2:11)

The prophet Elijah recruited his successor Elisha and apparently tutored him in the ways of the Lord while Elisha ministered to Elijah's needs.

Barnabas and Paul
(Acts 4:36-37; 9:26-30;
11:22-30)

Barnabas opened the way for Saul with the church after his dramatic Damascus Road conversion.

Barnabas and Mark
(Acts 15:36-39;
2 Tim 4:11)

Barnabas was willing to part company with Paul in order to work with John Mark and restore him to be "useful for ministry" (2 Tim 4:11).

Priscilla and Aquilla and Apollos
(Acts 18:1-3, 24-28)

Priscilla and Aquilla instructed Apollos at Ephesus. As a result, Apollos became one of the early church's most powerful spokesmen for the gospel.

Paul and Timothy
(Acts 16:1-3; Phil 2:19-23; 1 & 2 Timothy)

Paul invited Timothy to join him during one of Paul's missionary journeys. Timothy eventually became pastor of the Church at Ephesus

Paul and Titus
(2 Cor 7:6; 13-15;
8:17; Titus)

Paul led Titus to the faith and recruited him in ministry. Titus became a pastor on the island of Crete.

Adapted from Howard Hendricks, *As Iron Sharpens Iron*, 180-181