

Youth Bible Study Lesson 27

Only a few more lessons on the young women then our attention will turn to the men. These instructions are great for young women as they can carry them with them and build on them as they grow older. So often the things that are important to us now are the things we continue to emphasize, as we get older.

In Titus 2:5 we have looked at instruction regarding the godly life of living sober, loving our husbands, our children, being discreet and chaste. This next area, "keepers at home", has as much relevance today as it did back in Crete. In God's word we find keepers of the _____ in II Kings 22:4 and in I Chron. 9:19 we find keepers of the _____ and keepers of the _____.

Jer. 4:17 talks about keepers of the _____ and Eze. 40:45 the keepers of the _____ of the _____ and in vs. 46 the keepers of the charge of the _____. In Eze. 44:14 keepers of the charge of the _____, for all the _____ thereof, and for all that shall be _____. And in Acts 12:6 the keepers before the _____ kept the prison. From examining these verses it is clear that a keeper is one who has charge of protecting, guarding, servicing, attending, watching over, managing the affairs of something. It is also obvious that these were very important responsibilities.

Now that we have an understanding of the definition of a keeper, what are women to be keepers in our verse in Titus 2:5? _____

I think it is interesting that our verse says "keepers at home". This puts the emphasis on the role of "keeper". A woman is to learn from the word of God just what it is that she should be guarding and then keep, guard and protect them at home.

There are women who keep or guard their china, crystal, furniture, time, activities, and comfort like a bulldog would guard his yard. What does God's word tell us about the things we should be keepers of?

II Tim. 1:13 "_____ the _____ of _____ words, which thou hast heard of _____,..."

We are to get a grip on and keep hold of the sound doctrine, the health giving words God has given to us.

If saved women would put as much emphasis on the spiritual health of their family as they do their physical health, we would see stronger homes. Be a keeper of the spiritual well being of your home with the sound doctrine of the word of God. This does not mean just making sure they go to church. Different churches teach different doctrines.

Titus 1:9 says much the same thing - "_____ the _____ word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by _____ both to _____ and too convince the gainsayers."

I Thess. 1:21 "...hold _____ that which is _____." Be a keeper of those things which are good (godly) at home.

Lesson 27 Continued

A godly woman should watch and guard over the home ensuring that the activities that go on there are good. This should certainly include what's on TV, computer, the friends, language, attitudes and relationships in the home. WOW! Well, remember Pharaoh needed a discreet man to run Egypt and prepare for the coming famine. How much more do homes demand a discreet woman (exercising godly wisdom) to execute this keeper's responsibility.

There is a spiritual famine in many Christian homes. Spiritual things are not discussed, the word of God, rightly divided, is not taught. The closest many women get to talking about the Lord with their children is when in desperation they yell "That doesn't make God happy!"

A keeper at home should desire to see all within her home protected from the winds of doctrine that would toss her family to and fro, moving them from the stability of sound doctrine.

The sins that would bring destruction and havoc in those that are in her home should be kept out.

I Tim. 4:16 "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the _____; _____ in them: for in doing this thou shalt both _____ thyself, and them that _____." This is not talking about soul salvation. But a salvation from the lies, false doctrine, evils that lie in wait to corrupt and destroy that which God loves.

In thinking back to that verse in Eze. 44:14 where the keepers of the house (temple of the Lord) were to see to all that was done therein, I'm reminded of those next couple of verses. Look back at this passage and read verses 15, 16. The priests were the keepers of the _____ for the children of Israel when they went _____ (sinned). The priests were to offer up the blood sacrifice for the sins of the people. Can we just pause here a moment and think ahead as God did when this took place? Do we also rejoice in knowing what God knew then? That His Son would one day shed His perfect blood to take away the sin of the world. The cross is God's only remedy for sin and its penalty of death. Have you trusted Christ as your Saviour? Have you been to the cross by faith believing that Christ died for you? If you have, please understand that all these things that we are talking about are really our service to the Lord. That's why they are natural and enjoyable and why we are able to continue even when those we try to keep sometimes rebel, turn away from us and reject the salvation that is in Christ and the salvation His word gives from the destructiveness of sin.

Did you notice that God says to the priests here in Eze. 44:16 that they are ministers to _____. Israel failed over and over again but the priests were to stand ready offering the sacrifices because they were ministering to the Lord.

Don't quit because those around you fail. Stand at the ready, keep being about the things God loves. He is pleased and we are in reality simply serving Him.

Memory verse – I Tim. 4:16

Lesson 27 Answers and Comments

I Thes. 1:21 should be 5:21

Door	me
Gates	holding
Entry	fast
Field	faithful
Charge	sound
House	doctrine
Altar	exhort
Service	fast
Done	good
Therein	doctrine
Door	continue
Home	save
Hold	hear
Fast	thee
Form	sanctuary
Sound	astray
	me

Being a keeper at home is every godly women's calling. Whether there's one, two, three or a dozen people at home. We need to be prepared with the sound doctrine of the rightly divided word of God to handle this responsibility. Satan's lie program is all around, in books, on TV, at school, everywhere we go. Our homes are ours to safeguard, fortify and protect. At home we need to insure that those within are being equipped so that when they step out they are able to stand against the _____ of the _____. Eph. 6:11.