

# **New Normal: A Transformed Church Before a Watching World**

## **Transformed Leaders**

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Titus 1:5-9

**Big Idea: Church Elders are transformed leaders who transform God's people through trust and truth.**

**1. Elders INSPIRE and MODEL TRUST.**

**2. Elders TRANSFORM God's people with the TRUTH.**

**Sound doctrine is...**

**A. Counter-cultural**

**B. Not optional**

**C. Life-giving**

## Sermon questions

1. How does our culture twist the concept of leadership? What qualifies someone for leadership?
2. Read **Titus 1:5**. Why did Paul leave Titus in Crete? Explain the two reasons. Why were these important?
3. Paul says two times that an elder/overseer must be “blameless”. What do you think Paul means? Why is it important for leaders to be “blameless”?

4. Paul lists several qualities of elders in vv. **5-9** that demonstrate blameless leadership. How does an elder demonstrate blameless character
- a) in his family
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - b) in God's household
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - c) with God's word?

How do these qualifications differ from the qualifications for leadership in business, government, or other areas of our culture?

Why are these qualities so crucial for church leadership?

5. If you don't hold a position of leadership at ACC, do you think these qualities have any application to your life? If so what?

Considering each of the character traits listed, what would our church look like if our leaders did not have those qualities?

6. Church leadership is a heavy responsibility. How can Titus **1:5-9** help you pray for the elders of ACC?

## **Read the Bible this year**

Pastor Brad encouraged us to read the Bible in 2020. Here's some help getting started. Each day this week read from the Old and New Testament. Or, if you prefer, read just from one testament. Enjoy!

- **2 Chronicles 23-24; John 15**
- **2 Chronicles 25-27; John 16**
- **2 Chronicles 28-29; John 17**
- **2 Chronicles 30-31; John 18**
- **2 Chronicles 32-33**
- **2 Chronicles 34-36; John 19**
- **Ezra 1-2**