

Lesson 14

What Masculinity Is Not



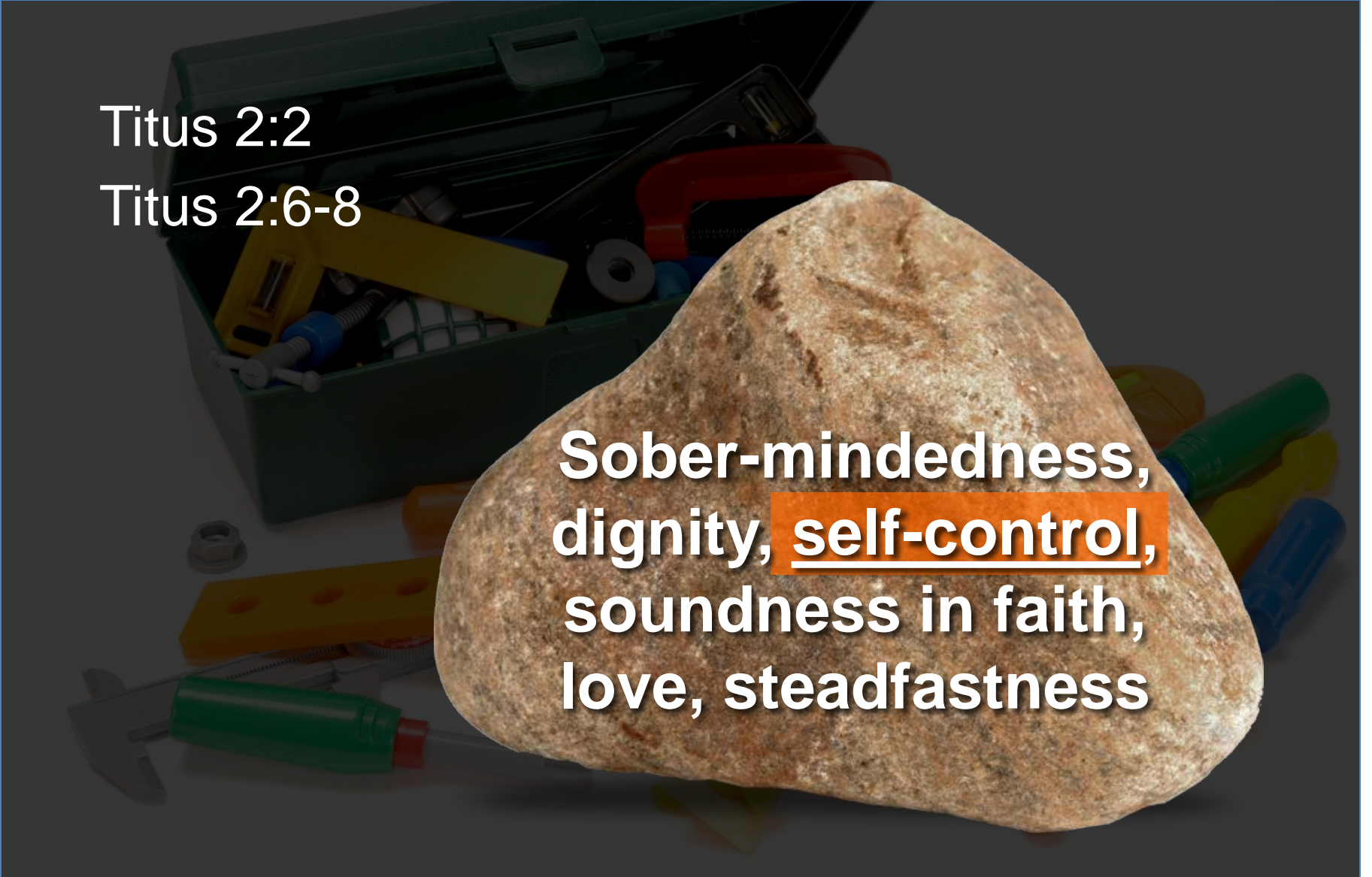
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Paul's Practical Teaching about Manhood

Titus 2:2

Titus 2:6-8



Sober-mindedness,
dignity, self-control,
soundness in faith,
love, steadfastness

Illustration

There are many expressions of “manliness” which are not mature, healthy, and honorable. Such expressions are unbiblical, false substitutes for true manliness.

Being Masculine Does Not Mean Being “Macho”



A rebel who denies authority and scoffs at the world with arrogance and self-reliance.

Masculinity Is NOT...

- Being macho

Proverbs 21:24

Proverbs 19:29

Proverbs 16:5

Proverbs 16:18

What may seem “manly” is really an expression of arrogant pride and immaturity.

Being Masculine Does Not Mean Being Domineering and Abrasive

Proverbs 11:17

Proverbs 25:15

Often, the one who dominates others is not acting out of strength, but out of intimidation and fear.

Patience and gentleness are stronger than brute force.



Being Masculine Does Not Mean Being Crude, Rude, and Obnoxious

Ephesians 5:3-4

loud, rude,
obnoxious
behavior,
crudeness,
profanity, coarse
speech



Indication of
moral depravity
and corruption

Being Masculine Does Not Mean Being Angry

Fallen Nature

Proverbs 16:32

Proverbs 19:11

Proverbs 22:24-25



Being Masculine Does Not Mean Being “Mr. Nice Guy”

“Niceness”
≠
sanctified masculinity
but cowardice and laziness

People-pleaser
Pleasing people
rather than
God.

Galatians 1:10

1 Thessalonians 2:3-5

Ephesians 5:5-6

Goal: Please God, not man

Motive: be faithful to truth, don't deceive or flatter

Actions: not from desire to merely please people,
but from a desire to obey God.

Mature Masculinity is a Godly Masculinity

1 Timothy 4:7b-8

“Godliness” is of value in every way.”

Young men, to grow in masculinity, you must reject the false substitutes of the “macho man,” the “harsh and domineering man,” the “crude man,” the “angry man,” and the “nice-guy man.”





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