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Dedication

This book is dedicated to all marketplace and ministry leaders. To those who desire to be an asset in whatever sphere of influence they find their true purpose. My prayer is that you find insight, foresight, and understanding of your purpose in the practical and spiritual applications of life.

To those who have the courage to live your life “out loud” no matter the challenge, I salute you. To those who have the steadfast determination to re-position their lives to walk in their assignments, I salute you.

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Acknowledgement

To my mentors, my family and friends I am thankful for the wisdom, examples and time shared to get this message out to millions of people.

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Introduction

This book is truly written for those of you who are Christians that are focused on your call/assignment and sense the unctioning of God for understanding concerning the “leaving a legacy.”

I Am Really a Titus 2 Woman is written to stir up the leader, Mentor and teacher in every Christian woman who has a generation behind them. Our God requires us to leave an impact, a roadmap for those women behind us. Let’s read and then put into practice some of the things that you have read.

Let’s gooooo!

Enjoy reading this book.

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Chapter One: My Generation

Welcome to one of the most inviting conversations that I believe is needed greatly for my generation, the generation behind me and generations to come.

When I look back over my life, back in the day, we were surrounded naturally by Titus 2 Women. I thought it was a normal way of life. During my childhood, life was different than it is now. We had true neighbors watching out for one another and truly caring. The women took care of the home, making it always inviting, always clean and always food to eat no matter what economic level you were.

How can you make pancakes taste so good. Well, add corn to it or a pork chop with gravy or just butter and syrup. It didn't cost much to put a little love in the cooking of it or to allow your children to help make the food as they

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learned to cook too.

This is one of the true essences of a Titus 2

Woman...teaching/mentoring. A real Titus 2 Woman has a natural progression of practical teaching. Her life is a transparent book. She constantly leads conversations with examples and strategies for others to make right decisions. She is industrious, kind and resourceful.

Translated to the present day, she is the wife, the mother, the taxi driver, the cook, the instructor, the counselor and so much more. She lives to wear the many hats needed to inspire, lead and love her family to successful people. She uses means to an end to meet her purpose filled assignments. Whether a corporate CEO or a farmer, she know that these are mainly means to an end to ensure as she reaches her calling in life, she never neglects her honor and responsibility as a mom, wife or sister.

As women of God and following the principles of the

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Titus 2 woman in the bible, we are encouraged to be active *in looking after the next generation*, to mentor, model and to teach them how to be a woman of God. The Titus 2 woman has already walked a path that they can assist the next future woman of God in life. They are billboards of what a Woman of God really is, like a map to be used. Let's just stop here for a moment. Think of at least two (2) women in your life that you can think of that displays Christ whereas her life speaks Christ in her good and challenging days. What woman in your life holds you accountable. What woman provides and nurturing environment for you to learn?

Did you name at least two women? If not, it is still alright. Now you will learn what to look for when seeking a Titus 2 Woman.

My mom passed away when I was around 8 years old. She was a Titus 2 Woman. I will never forget that she made

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home a place of comfort, love and learning. We were in the lower class of our society at the time of my growing up. I always thought we were middle class. For me, we didn't lack anything. My family says different. We always had food; the house was always clean. Our outside was always intact, and our neighbors helped each other. Never did a time go by when the neighbors did not keep an eye on the younger generation.

My mom would always look up recipes to give us a variety of foods. She was an awesome cook. Guess what...that same skill was passed to me and my sister. She modeled righteousness, standards and loving kindness.

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Chapter Two: Titus 2 Women are Models of Examples

Once my mom passed away, my aunt helped with raising five of us. And so that Titus 2 Woman continued. My aunt was like my second mother. She worked, cooked, cleaned the home and taught us so many life lessons. These lessons were mainly done while cooking and during family gatherings. My aunt was a Nurse's Assistant in a General Hospital, a Minister of the Gospel and a wife. She never had children of her own but for me, we were her children. We all moved in with her (my father and my siblings) for a year or so. I absolutely loved it. I followed her everywhere. I helped with everything, and I so loved my Aunt.

Today, I am a Titus 2 Woman because of my mom and aunt. I am mimicking all that they taught me and doing the same for my daughters.

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Chapter Three: Qualities of a Titus 2 Woman

Here are some qualities of a Titus 2 Woman:

- They share their whole lives with us.
- They invite us into their lives.
- They're honest with us.
- They speak the Bible to us.
- They rebuke us.
- They're examples for us.
- They encourage us.
- They provide for us.
- They pray for us.

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Chapter Four: Guidelines

Guidelines given in the bible. **Titus 2:3-5.**

“Likewise, teach the older women to be reverent in the way they live, not to be slanderers or addicted to much wine, but to teach what is good. Then they can urge the younger women to love their husbands and children, to be self-controlled and pure, to be busy at home, to be kind, and to be subject to their husbands, so that no one will malign the word of God.” – Titus 2:3-5 (NIV)

Three Characteristics of Titus 2 Women

“Reverent in the way they live.” A Titus 2 woman should be an example in her conduct. Her actions always speak louder than her words. She is the type of woman that younger ones can look up to. Her conduct is above reproach. While she is not perfect (only Christ was), she understands repentance, grace, humility, and the call to righteous living that we have because we have been redeemed.

“Not to be slanderers.” A Titus 2 woman has a tamed tongue. Whew! That is a task in itself. James doesn’t hold back when he says the tongue “is itself set on fire by hell.”

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(James 3:6) How easily we can be caught up in gossip and ill speech about others. Mature women are called to keep their lips pure. Paul speaks repeatedly about our words as he does in Ephesians 4:29, “Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.” Helpful and building up.

Our words are a reflection of what rests in our heart. A heart deceived and hardened by the world spits out condemnation, gossip, foul language, and complaints. A pure heart filled with the Holy Spirit and focused on kingdom work is a heart that spills out words of praise and encouragement.

“Not addicted to wine.” A Titus 2 woman practices self-control in all areas of her life. She isn’t glutinous, isn’t a drunkard or lush, isn’t over extravagant and showy with her attire. In the context of the scripture, drunkenness was an issue of the day. New Christians that had formerly lived unsaved lifestyles were no longer to overindulge in worldly pleasures as they had before. Rather than indulge

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in spirits for fun or to deal with daily pressures, they were to drown themselves in THE Spirit (God’s spirit). He is the only cure for hurts and the only path to true joy.

“Love their husbands and children.” The word love here is not the ‘agape’ love we’re used to that refers to an action. Rather, the word used for love here is ‘phileo’ love; a Greek word for emotional love and friendship love (think of how Philadelphia is the city of brotherly love). Paul is saying not only to actively serve your husband out of obligation but to also be his companion. Men are less likely to stray outside of marriage for this affection when his wife is offering it. Women who ‘phileo’ love their husbands are more than just child-bearers. They are real partners and helpmates.

“To be self-controlled and pure.” Self-control is a call on all Christians, and it’s not easy. Even Paul struggled with

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the desire to do what he knew he ought not to. Self control is so important because it is choosing righteous living over self. When we have a pure heart, pure mind, and pure speech, self control becomes easier. Perhaps we should focus less on behavior management and more on heart management.

“To be busy at home.” A woman’s home refers not only to her house but her family. When Paul says for a woman to be busy at home, it does not mean women cannot work outside of the home. A woman who works outside of the home should do so to help contribute to her home, but it should not take away from or undermine her commitment to her home.

“To be kind and to be subject to their husbands.” Before anyone starts a riot about being ‘subject’ to her spouse, this verse is echoing Paul’s directions in Ephesians 5 for

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wives to submit to their husbands. This does not mean that you're lying down and being a door mat. Any man who treats you that way is not following his orders from Ephesians 5 to love you as Christ loved the church. God created man and woman equal...different and with different purpose...but still equal. As a matter of fact, Christianity was the only religion of ancient days that actually elevated women. But, God did place a tiered order of authority in the home. It's headed by God, and then followed by the husband. Wives that respect their husband and encourage him to lead their homes enjoy a thriving marriage.

Verse 5 then says that all of this is to be done “so that no one will malign the word of God.” Everything we do should be for the glory of God. Living as a Titus 2 woman brings glory to the Father. That's enough reason right there for me!

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Chapter Five: Call to Action

Call to Action So what does all of this mean for you and for me? Put simply: live the life God calls you to live and teach other women to do the same.

Connect yourself with wiser, older women from whom you can learn. One woman may not fit the bill in all areas. In your search for a Titus 2 woman, you will likely have more than one Titus 2 woman in your life. I am a big believer in seeking wise counsel, but not everyone can counsel in everything.

Then, seek out a younger woman and take her under your wing. If you're a mom, start with your own daughter(s) and go from there.

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