A Centered Church

Titus 1:6-16

Surrounding ourselves with those who know Jesus and want to make him known means we...

I. Look to _____ who point us to Jesus (6-9)

5 This is why I left you in Crete, so that you might put what remained into order, and appoint elders in every town as I directed you— 6 if anyone is above reproach, the husband of one wife, and his children are believers and not open to the charge of debauchery or insubordination. 7 For an overseer, as God's steward, must be above reproach. He must not be arrogant or quick-tempered or a drunkard or violent or greedy for gain, 8 but hospitable, a lover of good, self-controlled, upright, holy, and disciplined. 9 He must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught, so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and also to rebuke those who contradict it.





2. Get rid of what



us away from Jesus (10-16)

10 For there are many who are insubordinate, empty talkers and deceivers, especially those of the circumcision party. Il They must be silenced, since they are upsetting whole families by teaching for shameful gain what they ought not to teach. In 2 One of the Cretans, a prophet of their own, said, "Cretans are always liars, evil beasts, lazy gluttons." In this testimony is true. Therefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in

the faith, 14 not devoting themselves to Jewish myths and the commands of people who turn away from the truth. 15 To the pure, all things are pure, but to the defiled and unbelieving, nothing is pure; but both their minds and their consciences are defiled. 16 They profess to know God, but they deny him by their works. They are detestable, disobedient, unfit for any good work.

