



GODLY, EQUIPPED, ACCOUNTABLE, AND RELIABLE MEN

We will use the book [*The Measure of a Man*](#) by Gene Getz, which draws on the apostle Paul's letters to Timothy and Titus to discover 20 attributes of a godly man.
Getting a copy of the book is encouraged but not required.

AVOIDING DESTRUCTIVE BEHAVIOR

Week 12 - February 8, 2021

Not Pugnacious - 1Tim. 3:3 and Titus 1:7

A. Anger out of control

1. (NASB) Pugnacious - "a bruiser, one who is ready with a blow, contentious, quarrelsome"
2. (KJV) - do not be a "striker" one who physically hurts others.
3. In both cases of the use of this word it is connected to being drunk with wine - shows the connection between drunkenness and pugnaciousness.

B. God's warning to Cain

1. Gen. 4:7 "And if you do not do well, in is crouching at the door; and its desire is for you, but you must master it."
2. Cain's anger was not sinful at first, God warned him that it was moving in that direction.
3. God's answer "you must master it!"

C. Moses' Sin

1. Exodus 2:11-15
2. In what ways was this act of Moses sinful?

D. The potential in all of us

1. Apart from Christ and the grace of God we have the potential for great anger and violence.
2. Eichmann as an example
3. Domestic violence.

E. Our most violent crime - One of the most violent tragedies that occurs everyday is that an average of 180 babies are killed every hour in the United States. Legalized abortion is probably one of the greatest crimes against humanity that exists in our society. In essence, how far have we come from the crimes of Nazi Germany? How far are we from what happened in the Roman Empire? How does God view what is happening in our nation and to our unborn children?

F. Verbal Violence

Hurting others with our words

Talking to others about a person and damaging their reputation