

How to Safeguard The Truth!



1 Timothy 3:14-16

Benefits of 1 Timothy

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- **“These things”** — refer to all that Paul was writing about.
- **“Hoping to come to you before long”** — Paul was traveling west of Rome.



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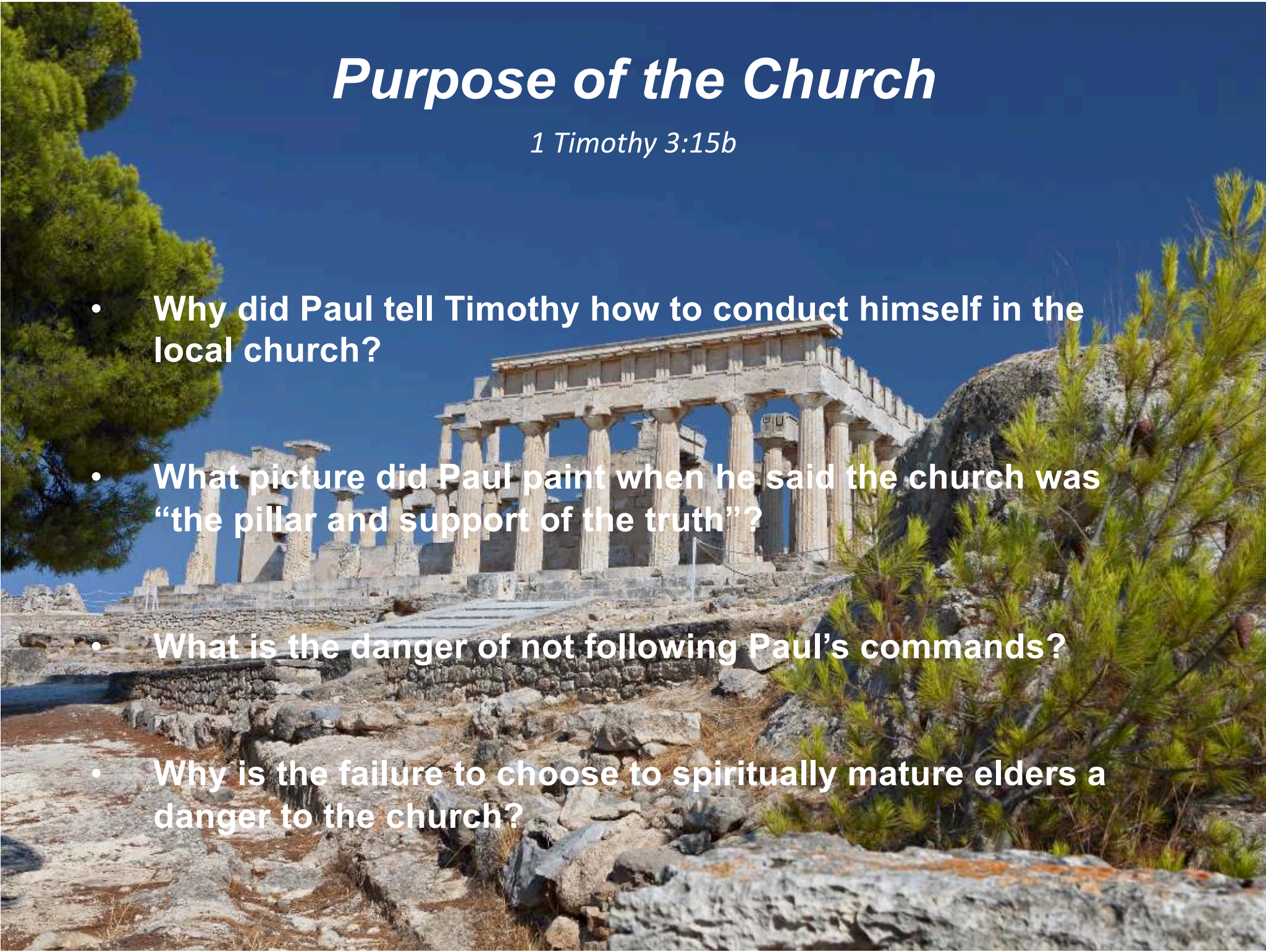
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- **What does “these things” refer to ?**
- **Where was Paul when he wrote 1 Timothy? Why did Paul say, “Hoping to come to you before long”**
- **What is the meaning of the Greek word translated as “conduct?”**
- **What is the benefit of q Timothy?**

Purpose of the Church

1 Timothy 3:15b

- **Why did Paul tell Timothy how to conduct himself in the local church?**
- **What picture did Paul paint when he said the church was “the pillar and support of the truth”?**
- **What is the danger of not following Paul’s commands?**
- **Why is the failure to choose to spiritually mature elders a danger to the church?**



Temple of Aphaea



The Core Truth

1 Timothy 3:16

- **What is the meaning of the lines of the poem?**
 - **He who was revealed in the flesh —**
 - **Was vindicated in the Spirit —**
 - **Seen by angels —**
 - **Proclaimed among the nations —**
 - **Believed on in the world —**
 - **Taken up in glory —**

Conclusion

- **What kind of church should you look for to attend?**
- **What should you do differently to help the church safeguard the truth of Scripture?**