

Titus

1:1 Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness;

1:2 In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;

1:3 But has in due times manifested His word through preaching, which is committed to me according to the commandment of God our Savior;

1:4 To Titus, my own son after the common faith: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Savior.

1:5 For this reason I left you in Crete, that you should set in order the things that are lacking, and appoint elders in every city, as I had appointed you:

1:6 If any be blameless, the husband of one wife, having faithful children not accused of dissipation or insubordination.

1:7 For an elder must be blameless, as the steward of God; not self-willed, not soon angry, not given to wine, not violent, not greedy for dishonest gain;

1:8 But a lover of hospitality, a lover of good men, sober, just, holy, temperate;

1:9 Holding fast the faithful word as he has been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the opponents.

1:10 For there are many unruly and idle talkers and deceivers, especially those of the circumcision:

1:11 Whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for the sake of dishonest gain.

1:12 One of themselves, even a prophet of their own, said, The Cretans are always liars, evil beasts, gluttons.

1:13 This witness is true. Therefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith;

1:14 Not giving heed to Jewish fables, and commandments of men, that turn from the truth.

1:15 To the pure all things are pure: but to them that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled.

1:16 They profess that they know God; but in works they deny Him, being abominable, and disobedient, and to every good work reprobate.

2:1 But speak you the things which become sound doctrine:

2:2 That the older men be sober, reverent, temperate, sound in faith, in love, in patience.

2:3 The older women likewise, that they be in behavior as becomes holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things;

2:4 That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children,

2:5 To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God is not blasphemed.

2:6 Young men likewise exhort to be sober-minded.

2:7 In all things showing yourself a pattern of good works: in doctrine showing uncorruptness, reverence, sincerity,

2:8 Sound speech, that cannot be condemned; that one whom is an opponent may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you.

2:9 Exhort servants to be obedient to their own masters, and to please them well in all things; not talking back;

2:10 Not stealing, but showing all good trustworthiness; that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Savior in all things.

2:11 For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men,

2:12 Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present age;
2:13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ;
2:14 Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify to Himself a peculiar people, zealous for good works.
2:15 These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise you.

3:1 Remind them to be subject to rulers and authorities, to obey, to be ready for every good work,
3:2 To speak evil of no man, to not be brawlers, but gentle, showing all meekness to all men.
3:3 For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving different lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another.
3:4 But after that the kindness and love of God our Savior toward man appeared,
3:5 Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Spirit;
3:6 Which He shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior;
3:7 That being justified by His grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.
3:8 This is a faithful saying, and these things I want you to affirm constantly, that they who have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable to men.
3:9 But avoid foolish questions, and genealogies, and contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and useless.
3:10 A man that is a heretic after the first and second admonition reject;

3:11 Knowing that he that is such is warped, and sins, being condemned by himself.

3:12 When I send Artemas to you, or Tychicus, be diligent to come to me to Nicopolis: for I am determined to winter there.

3:13 Bring Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey with haste, that they may lack nothing.

3:14 Let ours also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful.

3:15 All that are with me greet you. Greet them that love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.