



Titus

Bible Study Series

Lesson 1 Introduction

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A. Background of the letter

1. Written by Paul to Titus around 64 AD
2. Seventeenth book in the New Testament.
3. 56th book in the Bible. Compare with Is. 56:
4. Content comparable with 1 Timothy, written around the same time.
5. Compare with 2 Tim. 3:17, "unto all good works".

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A. Background (Cont'd)

6. The letter has 3 chapters, 46 verses, containing 896 words.

7. Paul was on Crete twice: Acts 27:7 on his journey to Rome, and during his release from prison when he left Titus there 1:5.

B. Key words

Doctrine (4) Faithful (3) Sober (5) Sound (5)
Teach (4)

C. Key phrase “But speak thou the things which become sound doctrine Ti. 2:1



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D. Unique Words

Fidelity (2:10)

Gravity (2:7 & 1 Tim.3:4)

Heretick (3:10)

Purloining (2:10)

Striker (1:7, 1 Tim.3:3)

Temperate (1:8, 2:2, 1 Cor.9:25)

Uncorruptness (2:7)

Ungodliness (2:12, 2 Tim.2:16, Rom.1:18,11:26)

E. Theme of the book:

Maintain good works

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F. Outline of the book:

1. Set things in order. 1:5
2. Speak sound doctrine. 2:1
3. Maintain good works. 3:8

G. Background of the Cretians

1. Inhabitants were part Hebrew, part Philistine
2. Cherethites (Cretians) connected with Israel
1 Sam. 30:14, 2 Sam. 8:18, Ez. 25:16, Zeph. 2:5
3. What did Paul have to say about the Cretians? "*The Cretians are always liars, evil beasts, slow bellies*". Ti. 1:12