

## Titus

### Historical Background

- I. Author
- II. Date
- III. Recipient

### Purpose of Titus

- To instruct Titus about what he should do and teach in the Cretan churches.
  - Titus 1:5 → Reason for Titus being in Crete

### Themes of Titus

Theme: How the grace of God promotes good works among God's people.

Key verses:

<sup>11</sup>For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, <sup>12</sup>instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age, <sup>13</sup>looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus, <sup>14</sup>who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds. (Titus 2:11-14, NASB)

<sup>8</sup>This is a trustworthy statement; and concerning these things I want you to speak confidently, so that those who have believed God will be careful to engage in good deeds. These things are good and profitable for men. (Titus 3:8, NASB)

Theme: God's orders for church governance

**Suggested Outline** (from *The Bible Knowledge Commentary*)

- I. Salutation (1:1-4)
  
- II. Qualifications of the Elders (1:5-9)
  
- III. Characteristics of the False Teachers (1:10-16)
  
- IV. Godly Behavior for Different Groups (2:1-10)
  - A. Older men (2:1-2)
  - B. Older women (2:3)
  - C. Younger women (2:4-5)
  - D. Younger men (2:6-8)
  - E. Slaves (2:9-10)
  
- V. Role of Grace in Promoting Godly Behavior (2:11-3:11)
  - A. The educating power of grace (2:11-14)
  - B. The gracious behavior that results from grace (2:15-3:2)
  - C. Grace as a motivator for godly living (3:3-8)
  - D. Behavior inconsistent with grace (3:9-11)
  
- VI. Final Instructions and Greetings (3:12-15)

**Alternative Outline**

God's orders for...

- I. Church Organization (ch. 1)
  
- II. Christian Obligation (ch. 2-3)

### **Key Teachings from Titus**

- Elder qualifications (found in 1 Timothy 3 and Titus 1)
- How to deal with false teachers (1:10-16; 3:9-11)
- Specific instructions to men and women (2:1-6)
- Justification by faith (3:4-8)

### **Interpretive Challenges & Common Questions**

- Are children of elders to be merely “faithful,” or must they be believers? (1:6)
- What does it mean that young women are to be taught to be “workers at home”? (2:5)
- What is the “blessed hope” mentioned in 2:13?

### ***Discussion Question:***

1. How does the book of Titus inform our definition of a healthy church?

## ***Purpose Statement***

Women of the Word exists to equip the women of Grace Bible Church in the knowledge and application of God's word to do the work of ministry at home, in the church, and in the world.

## ***Schedule***

<b><i>Date</i></b>	<b><i>Book</i></b>	<b><i>Memory Verse</i></b>
1/8/2024	1 Thessalonians	1 Thess 2:8
1/15/2024	2 Thessalonians	2 Thess 1:3
1/22/2024	1 Timothy	1 Tim 4:7-8
1/29/2024	2 Timothy	2 Tim 3:16-17
2/5/2024	Titus	Titus 2:3-5
2/12/2024	Philemon	Philem 21
2/19/2024	Hebrews	Heb 12:1-2
2/26/2024	James	Jas 1:22
3/4/2024	1 Peter	1 Pet 1:3-5
3/11/2024	<i>Off for Spring Break</i>	-
3/18/2024	2 Peter	2 Pet 3:8-9
3/25/2024	1 John	1 John 1:9
4/1/2024	2 John	2 John 10, 11
4/8/24	3 John	3 John 7, 8
4/15/24	Jude	Jude 20-21
4/22/24	Revelation	Rev 21:3-4

## ***Homework***

- (1) Read the NT book assigned.
- (2) Read *The MacArthur Study Bible* introduction for the NT book assigned.
- (3) Memorize the memory verse from the NT book assigned.



Scan to go to *The MacArthur Study Bible* Philemon Introduction or go to <https://www.gty.org/library/bible-introductions/MSB57>.

# His Mercy is More

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1. What love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done? Om -  
 2. What pa - tience would wait as we con - stant - ly roam? what  
 3. What rich - es of kind - ness He las - vished on us; His

Pno.

3 A sus Bm Gadd9 A sus  
 ni - scient, all know - ing, He counts not their sum. Thrown  
 Fa - ther, so ten - der, is call - ing us home? He  
 blood was the pay - ment, His life was the cost. We

Pno.

5 Dadd9 Em7 D/F# G  
 in - to a sea with - out bot - tom or shore; Our  
 wel - comes the weak - est, the vil - est, the poor; \_\_\_\_\_  
 stood 'neath a debt we could ne - ver af - ford; \_\_\_\_\_

Pno.

7 G D A D CHORUS D/F# G D  
 sins they are ma - ny, His mer - cy is more. Praise the Lord!

Pno.

11 D/F# G D A G D A sus A Bm  
 His mer - cy is more. Stron - ger than dark - ness, new ev' - ry morn; our

Pno.

16 G D A D D  
 sins they are ma - ny, His mer - cy is more.

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