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STUDY GUIDE

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CHAPTER

3

THE BOOK OF

TITUS

Instruction About Godly Living



Titus 3

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REVIEW

In order to address the problem of false teachers on the island of Crete who are upsetting whole families by teaching things for sordid gain that ought not to be taught, Paul leaves Titus in Crete.

Titus is to do the following:

- 1) appoint qualified elders in every city who are to exhort in sound doctrine and refute those who contradict (Titus 1:5-16) and
- 2) teach sound doctrine himself to all in the church (2:1-15) and remind them of why they are to hold fast to these things (3:1-11).

Once Titus’s work on Crete is done, he is to return to Paul (3:12-15).



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MONDAY

Listen to the Titus 3 podcast.

TUESDAY

Titus 3:1-2. In Paul's letter to Titus, he uses the word that is translated "*works*" or "*deeds*" 9 times (1:16 (2x); 2:5 (translated "*workers at home*"), 7, 14; 3:1, 5, 8 and 14). The Jewish antagonists (see 1:10-12) rely upon the law and their "*good deeds*."

Read what Paul says about them in 1:16.

What is the relationship between their "*deeds*" (1:16) and those that Paul is advocating throughout his letter to Titus?

WEDNESDAY

Titus 3:3-7.

Read Titus 3:3-7 again.

What contrast is Paul making?



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Why is 3:5-7 central to Paul's letter?

How might it relate to the need for elders and Titus to silence those espousing false doctrine?

THURSDAY

Titus 3:8-9.

Read Titus 3:8-9 again.

What is the contrast that Paul is making in these two verses.

How might these verses relate to the reason that Paul is writing the letter to Titus?



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FRIDAY

Titus 3:10-11.

In light of today's email about "*heretics*," do we still have that problem today (people causing factions and divisions)?

Paul instructs Titus to deal with such a one severely since such a man is "*perverted and is sinning, being self-condemned.*" Reflect on the current state of affairs within the Protestant Church.

How many divisions, church splits, and denominational splits have there been?

What would Paul call such occurrences (hint: read 3:11 again)?