

Warning Label

Titus 3:9-15

From Pastor John - So many products today come with warning labels. As Paul concludes the letter to Titus, he gives a few parting warnings for the church: focus on the things that matter, avoid distractions, and beware of divisions.

I. AVOID DISTRACTIONS (v. 8-9)

- A. Stress... these things (that) are excellent and profitable
- B. Avoid... these (things that) are unprofitable and useless
 - 1. foolish controversies
 - 2. genealogies
 - 3. dissensions
 - 4. quarrels

II. BEWARE OF DIVISIONS (v. 10-11)

- A. Purpose
 - 1. "There are many who are insubordinate " (Titus 1:10)
 - 2. "They must be silenced , since they are upsetting whole families..." (Titus 1:11)
 - 3. " Rebuke them sharply that they may be sound in the faith..." (Titus 1:13)
- B. Process
 - 1. first warning
 - 2. second warning
 - 3. have nothing more to do with him

III. PARTING WORDS

- A. Remember People
 - 1. Artemas
 - 2. Tychicus
 - 3. Zenas the lawyer
 - 4. Apollos
- B. Remember to do Good