

Paul's Final Remarks and Greetings

Titus 3:12-15

I am planning to send either Artemas or Tychicus to you. As soon as one of them arrives, do your best to meet me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to stay there for the winter. Do everything you can to help Zenas the lawyer and Apollos with their trip. See that they are given everything they need. Our people must learn to do good by meeting the urgent needs of others; then they will not be unproductive. Everybody here sends greetings. Please give my greetings to the believers—all who love us. May God's grace be with you all.

Titus 3:12-15 NLT

1. One of the aspects of following Christ that Paul models is training, developing, and discipling others for the work of ministry. We are reminded that it is the responsibility of all believers to disciple others. If you are a follower of Christ, are you discipling and being discipled?
   Matthew 28:19-20

2. Paul and Titus both model what it means to hold our plans loosely and being obedient to God directing our steps, reminding us that flexibility should be a mark of every believer. Are you flexible with God's plan for your life? Are you willing to be redirected? Are there areas in your life that you are holding too tightly?
   Proverbs 16:9

3. Paul says to Titus, "do everything you can to help Zenas and Apollos with their trip. See that they are given everything they need. As followers of Christ, generosity should mark the life of a believer. Are you doing everything you can to make sure that all have everything they need? Do you give joyfully, freely, and sacrificially? How often do you give out of sacrifice versus out of excess? How often do you give?

4. Paul says we should learn to do good so that we are prepared to meet the urgent needs of others and that they may not be unfruitful. Does your generosity give evidence of a Spirit-Filled Life that is fruitful? Who's going to care for somebody else…for those coming through town…for those preparing for ministry…who's going to support people serving Christ in other cultures…who will meet the pressing needs of others.

5. Paul ends this letter to Titus saying, "may God's grace be with you all," reminding us that all of life is sustained by the grace of God. Do you rest in the sufficiency of God's Grace for you? Is God's grace sufficient for you? Where do you need God's grace today?

I Need Thee Every Hour

1. I need thee every hour,
most gracious Lord;
no tender voice like thine
can peace afford.

Refrain:
I need thee, O I need thee;
every hour I need thee;
O bless me now, my Savior,
I come to thee.

2. I need thee every hour;
stay thou nearby;
temptations lose their power
when thou art nigh.

3. I need thee every hour,
in joy or pain;
come quickly and abide,
or life is vain.

4. I need thee every hour;
teach me thy will;
and thy rich promises
in me fulfill.

5. I need thee every hour,
most Holy One;
O make me thine indeed,
thou blessed Son.

Lord, I Need You

Lord, I come, I confess
Bowing here I find my rest
Without You I fall apart
You're the One that guides my heart

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You
Every hour I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
Where You are, Lord, I am free
Holiness is Christ in me

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You
Every hour I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You

So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
When I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus, You're my hope and stay

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You
Every hour I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You

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