



Titus

We're All Pastors: Equipping the Next Generation

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Introduction to the Titus

"To Titus, my true son in our common faith"

Titus 1:1-5

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Theme: Today we continue our study of Paul's Pastoral Letters by introducing the letter to Titus. Like Timothy, Titus was one of Paul's closest and most trusted disciples. Paul had now left Titus in Crete "to put in order what was left unfinished and appoint elders in every town" (1:5). Now Paul writes to Titus to encourage him to faithfully carry out this task. The letter is a wonderful expression of the heart of the gospel and the training of faithful leadership.

Outline:

1. Who Was Titus?

a. A Gentile

b. A Test Case

c. A Faithful Disciple and Co-Worker

d. Titus's Ministry to Corinth

e. Titus's Ministry in Dalmatia

2. Titus's Ministry in Crete

a. Paul's Mission and Philosophy

b. The Challenge of the Cretans

c. Titus's Task

d. Titus and the Gospel of Grace

Takeaway: Spiritual growth and maturity comes when we understand the power of God's grace and choose to faithfully serve Him.

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Date: January 27, 2019

Title: Appointing elders who love what is good

Scripture: Titus 1:5–9