

A Tour Through the Divine Library  
(Titus)

## I. General Introduction to Titus

-Title and Recipient: “To Titus” (1:4; see also Gal. 2:1-5; 2 Cor. 2:12, 13; 7:5-7, 13)

-Author and Date: written by the apostle Paul (1:1) ~ AD 63 Paul while he ministered in Macedonia between his first and second Roman imprisonments

-Purpose: to strengthen and encourage Titus in the organization of the church on the island of Crete (1:5)

-Structure:

- I. Appointment of Elders (ch. 1)
- II. Reproof of False Teachers (ch. 1)
- III. Instruction of Believers (chs. 2, 3)

## II. General Overview of Titus

-Greeting (1:1-4); appointment of elders (1:5-9); reproof of false teachers (1:10-16); instruction of believers: by ages and stations (2:1-10); good works rooted in Christ’s redemption (2:11-14); authoritative teaching urged (2:15); conduct in general (3:1, 2); summary of the gospel (3:2-7); trustworthy saying (3:8); divisive persons (3:9-11); conclusion (3:12-15)

## III. Prominent Themes in Titus

-God’s Character: veracity and faithfulness (1:2), kindness and love (3:4), mercy (3:5); Sound Doctrine (1:9-13; 2:1, 3, 5, 7, 10; 3:9-11); Good Works (1:16 2:7, 14 3:1, 5, 8, 14); Miscellaneous Salvation Themes: election (1:1); grace of God (2:11, 12; 3:7); substitutionary atonement (2:14); regeneration and the gift of the HS (3:5, 6); return of Christ (2:13)

## IV. Christ in Titus

-deity of Christ (2:13); good works rooted in Christ’s redemption (2:14); gift of the HS (3:6)

## V. Practical Lessons in Titus

1) This letter demonstrates the vital importance of sound doctrine in the Christian life.

2) This letter helps us to properly understand the relationship between faith and works in the Christian life.