



**P**aul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness; <sup>2</sup>in hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began; <sup>3</sup>but hath in due times manifested his word through preaching, which is committed unto me according to the commandment of God our Saviour; <sup>4</sup>to Titus, mine own son after the common faith: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour.

<sup>5</sup>For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee: <sup>6</sup>if any be blameless, the husband of one wife, having faithful children not accused of riot or unruly. <sup>7</sup>For a bishop must be blameless, as the steward of God; not selfwilled, not soon angry, not given to wine, no striker, not given to filthy lucre; <sup>8</sup>but a lover of hospitality, a lover of good men, sober, just, holy, temperate; <sup>9</sup>holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers. <sup>10</sup>For there are many unruly and vain talkers and deceivers, specially they of the circumcision: <sup>11</sup>whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for filthy lucre's sake. <sup>12</sup>One of themselves, even a prophet of their own, said, The Cretians are alway liars, evil beasts, slow bellies. <sup>13</sup>This witness is true. Wherefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith; <sup>14</sup>not giving heed to Jewish fables, and commandments of men, that turn from the truth. <sup>15</sup>Unto the pure all things are pure: but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled. <sup>16</sup>They profess that they know God; but in

works they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.

**2 But speak thou the things** which become sound doctrine: <sup>2</sup>that the aged men be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience. <sup>3</sup>The aged women likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things; <sup>4</sup>that they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, <sup>5</sup>to be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed. <sup>6</sup>Young men likewise exhort to be sober minded. <sup>7</sup>In all things shewing thyself a pattern of good works: in doctrine shewing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity, <sup>8</sup>sound speech, that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you. <sup>9</sup>Exhort servants to be obedient unto their own masters, and to please them well in all things; not answering again; <sup>10</sup>not purloining, but shewing all good fidelity; that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things. <sup>11</sup>For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, <sup>12</sup>teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; <sup>13</sup>looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; <sup>14</sup>who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works. <sup>15</sup>These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee.

**3 Put them in mind to be subject** to principalities and powers, to obey magistrates, to be ready to every good work, <sup>2</sup>to speak evil of no man, to be no brawlers, but gentle, shewing all meekness unto all men. <sup>3</sup>For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another. <sup>4</sup>But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, <sup>5</sup>not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; <sup>6</sup>which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour; <sup>7</sup>that being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life. <sup>8</sup>This is a faithful saying, and these

things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men. <sup>9</sup>But avoid foolish questions, and genealogies, and contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and vain. <sup>10</sup>A man that is an heretic after the first and second admonition reject; <sup>11</sup>knowing that he that is such is subverted, and sinneth, being condemned of himself.

<sup>12</sup>When I shall send Artemas unto thee, or Tychicus, be diligent to come unto me to Nicopolis: for I have determined there to winter. <sup>13</sup>Bring Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey diligently, that nothing be wanting unto them. <sup>14</sup>And let ours also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful.

**<sup>15</sup>All that are with me salute thee. Greet them that love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.**



Titus