

**{56} Titus**

King James 1769 Version

King James Paraphrase

**Chapter 1**

(1) Paul, 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;  
 (2) In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;  
 (3) But hath in due times manifested his word through preaching, which is committed unto me according to the commandment of God our Saviour;  
 (4) To Titus, *mine* own son after the common faith: Grace, mercy, *and* peace, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour.  
 (5) 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:  
 (6) If any be blameless, the husband of one wife, having faithful children not accused of riot or unruly.  
 (7) 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;  
 (8) But a lover of hospitality, a lover of good men, sober, just, holy, temperate;  
 (9) 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.  
 (10) For there are many unruly and vain talkers and deceivers, specially they of the circumcision:

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 (5) For this reason I left you in Crete, that you should set in order the things that are lacking, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed you:  
 (6) If any are blameless, {are presently} the husband of one wife,<sup>c</sup> having faithful children not accused of riot or unruly.  
 (7) Because a bishop {pastor}<sup>d</sup> must be blameless, as the steward of God; not self-willed, not easily angered, not given to wine, not quarrelsome, not given to greed;  
 (8) But a lover of hospitality, a lover of good men, sober, just, holy, temperate;  
 (9) Holding fast the faithful word as he has been taught, that he may be able by sound teaching both to encourage and to convict those opposing it.  
 (10) Because there are many unruly and vain talkers and deceivers, especially those of the circumcision {Jews};

1:4a – Titus – II Cor. 2:13; 7:6,13,14; 8:6,16,23; 12:18; Gal. 2:1,3; II Tim. 4:10  
 1:4b – Grace and Peace – grace always precedes peace – Rom. 1:7; I Cor. 1:3; II Cor. 1:2; Gal. 1:3; Eph. 1:2; Phil. 1:2; Col. 1:2; I Thes. 1:1; II Thes. 1:2; I Tim. 1:2; II Tim. 1:2; Tit. 1:4; Philemon 1:3; I Pet. 1:2; II Pet. 1:2; II Jn. 1:3 – grace means receiving something as a free gift that is totally undeserved  
 1:6c - husband of one wife - see notes on I Tim. 3  
 1:7d – bishop - episcopos {επισκοπος} – overseer – pastor - I Tim. 3:1f

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(11) Whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for filthy lucre's sake.  
(12) One of themselves, *even* a prophet of their own, said, The Cretians *are* always liars, evil beasts, slow bellies.  
(13) This witness is true. Wherefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith;  
(14) Not giving heed to Jewish fables, and commandments of men, that turn from the truth.  
(15) 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.  
(16) They profess that they know God; but in works they deny *him*, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.

**Chapter 2**

(1) But speak thou the things which become sound doctrine:  
(2) That the aged men be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience.  
(3) The aged women likewise, that *they be* in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things;

(11) Whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for filthy greed's sake.  
(12) One of themselves, *even* a prophet of their own, said, The Cretians *are* always liars, evil beasts, lazy gluttons.  
(13) This witness is true. Therefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith;  
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**Chapter 2**

(1) But you speak the things which are becoming of sound teaching:  
(2) That the elder men be sober, dependable,<sup>a</sup> temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience.  
(3) The elder women likewise, that *they* behave as becomes holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things;

2:2a – grave – conscientious - dependable