Titus 1:1

THE EPISTLE OF PAUL TO TITUS.

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: ¹¹ whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert

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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* alway 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.

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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; ⁴ that they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, ⁵ to be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blas-⁶ Young *men* likewise exhort to be phemed. sober minded. ⁷ In all *things* shewing thyself a pattern of good works: in doctrine shewing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity, ⁸ sound speech that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary *part* may be ashamed, having no

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evil thing to say of you. ⁹ Exhort servants to be obedient unto their own masters, and to please them well in all things; not answering again; ¹⁰ not purloining, but shewing all good fidelity; that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things. ¹¹ For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, ¹² teaching us that denying ungodliness and worldly lusts we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; ¹³ looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; ¹⁴ who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works. ¹⁵ These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee.

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¹ Put them in mind to be subject to principalities and powers, to obey magistrates, to be ready to every good work, ² to speak evil of no *man*, to be no brawlers, *but* gentle, shewing all meekness unto all men. ³ For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, *and* hating one another. ⁴ But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, ⁵ 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; ⁶ which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus

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Christ our Saviour; ⁷ that being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life. ⁸ *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. ⁹ But avoid foolish questions, and genealogies, and contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and vain. ¹⁰ A man *that is* a heretick, after the first and second admonition, reject; ¹¹ knowing that *he that is* such is subverted, and sinneth, being condemned of himself.

¹² When I shall send Artemas unto thee, or Tychicus, be diligent to come unto me to Nicopolis: for I have determined there to winter. ¹³ Bring Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey diligently, that nothing be wanting unto them. ¹⁴ And let ours also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful. ¹⁵ All that are with me salute thee. Greet them that love us in the faith. Grace *be* with you all. Amen.

¶ It was written to Titus, ordained the first bishop of the church of the Cretians, from Nicopolis of Macedonia.

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