READING PLAN + STUDY QUESTIONS



EVERYDAY SCRIPTURE

TITUS

READING PLAN OVERVIEW

- TITUS 1-3
 - TEACH TRUTH WITH LOVE

HOW TO USE THIS PLAN

TITUS

READ THE GENRE + BOOK OVERVIEW ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE READ THE CHAPTERS IN THE BIBLE FOR EACH SESSION READ THE CHAPTER SUMMARIES ON EVERYDAYSCRIPTURE.ORG ANSWER THE QUESTIONS + REFLECT ON THE READING

This study encourages going at your own pace, allowing each session to be a day, a week, or however long you need. Each session contains questions to be used for individual reflection or small group discussion.

This study was made to be used alongside Bible reading. Although we have created chapter summaries, there is no substitute for reading God's Word.

QUESTIONS TO GET YOU STARTED

- What type of literature is this book of the Bible? Does that affect the interpretation?
- Who is the intended audience of this book? What purpose does it serve?
- What does this passage of Scripture reveal about God's character?
- What can I learn from this Scripture passage? How does it apply today?

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- Everyday Scripture: Titus
- Everyday Scripture: New Testament Letters
- The Bible Project: Titus Overview Video

GENRE OVERVIEW: NEW TESTAMENT LETTERS

The news of Jesus was spreading rapidly! Paul, Peter, and some of the other apostles used letters to communicate with believers in churches all over the world. After seeing the resurrected Jesus, the apostles were on a mission to share the gospel with all people. Because Paul and the other writers experienced God's power dramatically, they were able to boldly declare their faith in Christ.

The apostle Paul traveled throughout the Roman Empire and Asia Minor to preach the gospel and plant churches. Many of the New Testament letters are addressed to groups of people or individuals that Paul met along the way. Other disciples of Jesus, including Peter, John, James, and Jude, also wrote letters to churches. These letters provide a glimpse into life in the first century and serve as a reminder of Jesus' teaching.

Although many of these letters include encouragement and praise, others offer warning or concern. Because Christians were facing great persecution, these letters served as a source of hope and renewal of faith along with caution against false teachers. Because the ability to read was uncommon and writing supplies were expensive, these letters were considered very valuable and were typically read aloud for the community of believers to hear.

BOOK OVERVIEW: TITUS

Paul authored this letter to Titus, a Greek Christian who was sent to Crete, Greece, to share the truth of Jesus and create order within the church there. Although there were some followers of Jesus in Crete, the culture was violent and vulgar. The leadership in Crete, even within the church, had been corrupted. Paul enlisted Titus to establish new leadership and encourage righteous living.

Because of God's mercy displayed through Jesus, Paul instructed the people of Crete to live in ways that honor God and reject false teachings and useless practices. Titus was sent to show the transformation that comes from knowing Jesus and to model living in alignment with God's truth. Paul emphasized that followers of Jesus are called to a new way of life that responds to God's goodness with righteousness. Through good leadership, good teaching, and good deeds, the church in Crete was called to pursue holiness.

TITUS

TITUS 1–3 TEACH TRUTH WITH LOVE

- How does Titus 1:2 introduce Paul's main idea of the truth of the gospel?
- What qualities did Paul emphasize when instructing Titus to appoint new leaders within the church?
- Based on Paul's instructions, how would you describe the culture of Crete?
- What major challenges did Paul anticipate Titus facing in his ministry?
- In Titus 2, why did Paul give different directions to various groups of people?
- In Titus 3:3, how did Paul address the transformative power of God's grace?
- How did Paul describe the roles of the Trinity in Titus 3:4-7?
- What does it mean for believers to be ready for every good work?