The Epistle of Paul the Apostle to

TITUS

Chapters Two and Three

Look for the answers to these questions:

- 1. Who are the FIVE groups of people Paul instructs in Chapter 2:2-10?
- 2. What are the reasons the young women, young men, and slaves should follow this instruction?
- 3. In Chapter 2:11-14, Paul teaches on the _____ of God.
- 4. In Chapter 3:4-7, he teaches on the _____ and ____ of God.
- 5. According to Titus 3:8, what is the duty of everyone who believes in God?

Protection of Sound Doctrine		Practice of Sound Doctrine	
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Ordain Qualified Elders	Rebuke False Teachers	Speak Sound Doctrine	Maintain Good Works
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Chapter 2 includes instruction to five groups of Christians.

In Chapter 1, Paul exposed the corrupting nature of bad doctrine. Now he exhorts Titus to speak the words of good doctrine.

Titus 2:1

But speak thou the things which become sound doctrine:



2:2 Aged Men

Titus is told to exhort the older men to be steadfast members of the congregation.

Titus 2:2

That the aged men be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience.

2:2 Aged Men

- Sober (sound-minded)
- Grave (reverent)
- Temperate (self-controlled)
- Sound (well-grounded) in faith, love, and patience.

Titus 2:2

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2:2 Aged Men

2:3 Aged Women

He should instruct the elderly women to also live honorably.

Titus 2:3

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- 2:2 Aged Men
- 2:3 Aged Women

- Reverent in behavior
- Not slanderers
- Not slaves to alcoholic drinks
- Teachers of what is good

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False accusers = diabolos.

This is the same word used for the GREAT ACCUSER, the devil.

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2:4-5 Young Women

The elderly women should teach the younger women how to make their homes a welcome place for Christ.

Titus 2:4-5

- That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children,
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 obedient to their own husbands,
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- 2:4-5 Young Women
- 2:6-8: Young Men

Paul tells Titus to teach the young men by giving them an example to follow.

Titus 2:6-8

- ⁶ Young men likewise exhort to be sober minded.
- In all things shewing thyself a pattern of good works: in doctrine shewing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity,
- 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.

- 2:2 Aged Men
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- 2:4-5 Young Women
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- Sober minded
- Incorruptible in doctrine
- Grave (serious)
- Sincere
- Wise in their speech

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2:6-8: Young Men

2:9-10 Slaves

No man's situation in life frees from his duty to the Lord.

Titus 2:9-10

- Exhort servants to be obedient unto their own masters, and to please them well in all things; not answering again;
- Not purloining (stealing), but shewing all good fidelity; that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things.

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THE EXHORTATION

THE REASON FOR OBEDIENCE

TO THE YOUNG WOMEN

that the word of God be not blasphemed.

TO THE YOUNG MEN

that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you.

TO SLAVES

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2:11-14 The Grace of God

Now we read perhaps the greatest explanation of God's grace in the Bible.

- ¹¹ For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,
- Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;
- Looking for that blessed hope,
 and the glorious appearing of the great
 God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;
- Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

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Grace brought salvation to us through the Lord Jesus Christ.

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Grace helps us to DO what the law could only point us to.

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While we await his second coming, we remember the sacrifice he made in his first coming, and the reason for it.

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We are not *saved* by good works, but after we are saved, we should be *zealous* of good works.

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Chapter 2 ends with this charge to Titus:

Titus 2:15

These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority.
Let no man despise thee.

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In Chapter 3, Titus is told to instruct the church in matters of social living.

Titus 3:1-2

- Put them in mind to be subject to principalities and powers, to obey magistrates, to be ready to every good work,
- To speak evil of no man, to be no brawlers, but gentle, shewing all meekness unto all men.

He reminds them – and us – that we were all once the slaves of sin.

Titus 3:3

For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another.



4-7: The Kindness and Love of God

In Chapter 2, he spoke on the grace of God. Now he speaks of the kindness and love of God.

- ⁴ But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared,
- 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;
- Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour;
- That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

4-7: The Kindness and Love of God

Salvation is a work of mercy, not justice.

Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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This guarantees our place in eternity.

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This kindness and love come with an obligation that can only be paid in this lifetime.

Titus 3:8

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.

Now that he has declared what is "good and profitable," Paul again speaks out against the "many unruly and vain talkers and deceivers" (1:10).

Titus 3:9

9 But avoid foolish questions, and genealogies, and contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and vain.



The proper Christian response to those who reject the truth of God is to reject their company.

Titus 3:10-11

- ¹⁰ A man that is an heretick after the first and second admonition reject;
- Knowing that he that is such is subverted, and sinneth, being condemned of himself.



2 Thessalonians 3:6, 14-15

- Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us.
- ¹⁴ And if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him, that he may be ashamed.
- 15 Yet count him not as an enemy, but admonish him as a brother.

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It is not you who condemns them. By their actions, they condemn themselves.

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Paul closes his letter with some personal instruction to Titus.

Titus 3:12-13

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- ¹³ Bring Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey diligently, that nothing be wanting unto them.

In Colossians 4:7 and Ephesians 6:21, Paul speaks of Tychicus as "a beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord."

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Apollos is featured prominently in Acts 18-19, and 1 Corinthians.

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Paul makes it clear that this instruction is good for all the church of God to know and follow.

Titus 3:14

And let ours also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful.

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Titus 3:15

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Here we finish Paul's letter to Titus.



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Each question is worth 20 points. Do NOT share your answers with other students.

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