

Titus

Lesson #22, Chapter 3:12-15

Stop and thank the Lord for all He's taught you through this book as you come to this final lesson in the book of Titus.

1. Of the four men named in verses 12-13 only Tychicus and Apollos are mentioned in other places of Scripture. What do you learn about these men?
 - a. Tychicus: Acts 20:4; Eph. 6:21-22; Col. 4:7-8; 2 Tim. 4:12
 - b. Apollos: Acts 18:24-28; 1 Cor. 1:11-12; 3:4-9
2. Based on what you learned about Tychicus and Apollos, what can you surmise about Artemas and Zenas the lawyer?
3. What does Paul ask Titus to do in verse 12?
4. Paul placed Titus in Crete to pastor the churches there, but later asked that Titus come spend the winter with him. See also Col. 4:8 and 2 Tim. 4:9-12. What principles about the ministry do you see there?

5. How does understanding that God moves people around to minister in different places help you when different pastors/elders/leaders move in and out of your life? What are some ways you can be a help in the comings and goings of those in the ministry?

6. In verse 13, what does Paul exhort the congregations to do? What words describe the extent they are to help these men?

7. What are some specific ways you could minister to others, that would come under the heading of “diligently help” and “so that nothing is lacking for them?”

8. What further instruction is given for us to apply in verse 14? What reason is given for doing so?

9. We are to *learn to engage in good deeds to meet pressing needs*. One commentator translates it as, “Our people must really learn to make themselves practically useful.” How would you go about learning that?

10. Notice that we *learn* how to meet other’s needs, we *learn* how to do these things well, we *learn* diligence in these areas. Learning means progress, growth, change. What efforts are you making to *learn* how to effectively serve the saints in the body of Christ?

God hath work to do in this world; and to desert it because of its difficulties and entanglements, is to cast off His authority. It is not enough that we be just, that we be righteous, and walk with God in holiness; but we must serve our generation as David did before he fell asleep. ~John Owen

11. Twenty-two weeks on a book with just 3 chapters has got to have left its mark on you in some way! How has the book of Titus made its imprint upon you this year?

12. Summarize in 3-5 sentences the purpose of the book of Titus.

13. What is your favorite verse from Titus? Why is it significant to you?

A hypocrite knows more than he is willing to do; but a true saint desires to do what he knows, and to know more that he may do more, and better. ~Vavasor Powell