THE EPISTLE TO TITUS.

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INTRODUCTORY NOTES.

The apostle Paul had no more highly esteemed fellowlabourer than Titus, yet his name is not mentioned in the Acts. It has been suggested that this is owing to his being the authority to whom Luke is indebted for various portions of the book. A Gentile (Gal. 2. 3), and possibly a native of Crete, the words "Titus, mine own son after the common faith" (Tit. 1. 4) indicate that he was led to the truth by Paul himself. The two were companions in Antioch prior to the Council assembled at Jerusalem as recorded in Acts 15, for to this Council he accompanied the apostle (Gal. 2. 1). Titus is repeatedly referred to in the two Epistles to the Corinthians, to which church he was apparently sent on two occasions: see 2 Cor. 8. 4, and chapters 2 and 7. From this Epistle we learn that after Paul's release from the Roman prison, the two journeyed together and preached in Crete (1. 5, 11, 12), where the apostle left him to "set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city". Later, he was instructed to join Paul at Nicopolis (3. 12), and it is probable that from there he went to Dalmatia (2 Tim. 4. 10). The apostle's affectionate regard for him is shown in 2 Cor. 2. 13; 8. 23.

The Epistle was one of the latest written by Paul, probably in the end of A. D. 67.
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TITUS.

1. 1-4 (A. P. 1815). EPISTOLARY. SALUTATION. BENEDICTION. (Alternation. Introdution.)

1 Ex. B.
2 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;
3 2 In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;
4 3 But hath in due times manifested His word through preaching, which is committed unto me, according to the commandment of God our Saviour;
5 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 had been taught, that he may be able by


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sound doctrine both to exhort, and to convince the gainsayers.

C D 10 For there are many unrighteous, and vain talkers, and deceivers, specially they of the circumcision:

E 11 Whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for filthy lucre's sake.

F 12 One of themselves, even a prophet of their own, said, 12. The Cretans are always liars, evil beasts, slow bellies.

F 13 This witness is true.

D 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.

2 But speak thou the things which become sound doctrine:

H J a 2. That the aged men be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience.

b 3. The aged women likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness, not


WALK AND WORKS. (Alternation.)


2. 2-6 (H, above). THOSE EXHORTED. (Intervention.)


false accusers. o not o given to much wine, 4 teachers of good things; 

4 That they may o teach the o young women to be sober, to o love their husbands, to o love their children, 5 To be discreet, o chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed, 

6 Young men likewise o exhort to be sober minded, 

7 In all things o shewing thyself a o pattern of o good works: 1 in o doctrine o shewing o uncorruptness, o gravity, o sincerity, 

8 Sound o speech, that cannot be condemned; 9 that he that is o of the o contrary part may be o ashamed, having o no o evil thing to o say o of you. 

9 Exhort o servants to be obedient unto their own masters, and o to please them well in all things; 10 o not o answering again; 11 o not o peering, but o shewing all good o fidelity; 12 that they may o adorn the o 3 doctrine of o God our o Saviour o in all things. 

11 For the o grace of o God that bringeth o salvation o hath o appeared to all men, 

12 Teaching us o that o denying o ungodliness and o worldly lusts, we should o live o soberly, o righteously, and o godly, in o this o present o world; 13 Looking for o that o blessed o hope, and the o glorious appearing of the o great o Saviour o Jesus Christ; 14 Who gave Himself o for us, o that He might o redeem us o from all o iniquity, and purify o unto Himself o a o peculiar o people, o zealous o of o good works. 

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

Put them in mind to be o subject o to o principalities and o powers, to o obey o magistrates, to be ready o to o every o good work, 


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2 To speak evil of no man, to be no brawlers, but gentle, shewing all meekness unto all men.

B 3 For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful and one another.

A 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 Christ our Saviour;

7 That being justified by faith, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

D 8 This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that which they have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men.

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

B 10 A man that is an heretic, after the first and second admonition reject; 11 Knowing that he that is such is condemned, and sinneth, being condemned of himself.

A 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 save good works for necessity's sakes, 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.


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