

# Titus Chapter Two – Sound Doctrine

## Review

### Outline of the Book

- Chapter One – put things in order
- Chapter Two – Stand on sound doctrine
- Chapter Three – perform and maintain good works

Paul instructs Titus to fulfill three responsibilities

1. Preach God's Word
2. Ordain Qualified Leaders
3. Silence False Teachers

## Chapter Two

VS 1 – Speak Sound Doctrine – the elders Titus was to “ordain” had to be sound teachers and refute error.

Hebrew 6:1-3 – Foundation Series

Therefore let us leave the elementary doctrine of Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, <sup>2</sup> and of instruction about washings,<sup>[a]</sup> the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment. <sup>3</sup> And this we will do if God permits.

### Basic Christian Dogma's (Nicene Creed)

- The Holy Trinity
- Jesus as co-eternal with the Father
- Virgin birth
- Jesus' redemptive act in history
- Jesus' death, burial, and bodily resurrection
- Jesus' place at the Father's right hand (mediator and intercessor)
- His coming again to judge the living and the dead
- The role and work of the Holy Spirit – author and giver of life.
- The role of baptism and forgiveness of sin.
- The one Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church
- Eternal life for all those who believe

## Basic Christian Doctrines and Practices

- **Salvation** – coming to faith in Jesus; new birth into the family of God.
- **Baptism** – outward sign of initiation into faith and family of God.
- **Holy Communion** – memorial meal and spiritual food.
- **Holy Spirit** – fruits of; gifts of; works of, infilling by, etc.
- **Atonement** – substitutionary sacrifice of Christ to make us one with God.
- **Righteousness** – made right with God through Jesus Christ.
- **Sanctification** – set apart for that which is holy and used of God.
- **Justification** – Just as if you never sinned; forgotten by God and not remembered.
- **Body of Christ** – the total body of believers, past, present, and future.
- **Fruits of the Spirit** – love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, gentleness, goodness, faithfulness, and self-control.
- **Gifts of the Spirit** – scripture mentions about twenty-five different gifts.
- **Prayer** – talking with God effectively and listening to his answers.
- **Stewardship** (giving) – understanding of the tithe and biblical instruction.
- **Lay Ministry** – all given a gift for the common good.
- **Bible Study** – required of every child of God for training and discipleship.
- **Worship** – Christian duty and joy.
- **Forgiveness**- Given to all who repent and choose Jesus as savior.
- **Satan** – fallen archangel corrupting and destroying the creatures of God.
- **Hell** – place of eternal torment for all who reject God’s gift of salvation in Jesus.
- **Demons** – fallen spirits/angels under Satan’s control.
- **Spiritual Warfare** – the unseen battle around us.
- **Healing** – physical, emotional (inner) and spiritual.
- **Deliverance** – God’s power over evil spirits to free us from their torment.
- **Eternal Life** – God’s gift to all believers.
- **Heaven** – eternal dwelling place of God, his saints, and angelic beings.
- **Angels** – messengers that serve God and his saints.
- **Sin** – missing the mark – that which separates us from God.
- **Eternal Judgment** – for all those who reject Jesus.
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Coming of Christ** – the end of this age. His triumphal return for his Church.
- **Antichrist** – a spirit working through a person that imitates Jesus and leads the world astray.
- **Tribulation** – a period of seven years prior to the return of Christ.
- **Holy Scripture** – 66 books of the bible – 39 OT; 27 NT; divinely inspired and completely accurate in all it contains. The source and basis of all faith and doctrine.

- ***Human Sexuality*** – Only one expression blessed by God – man and woman in Holy Matrimony.
- ***Moral and Ethical Standards*** – golden rule; ten Commandments; Summary of the law; biblical standards.
- ***Sanctity of Human Life*** – made in God’s image, unique and of infinite worth and value to God.
- ***Free Will and Original Sin*** – the ability to make choices freely and the blessings or consequences of those choices.
- ***Sovereignty of God*** – His absolute control over all events in time and history for his purposes. Always just and completely consistent with his character.
- ***Temptation*** – that which draws us away from God and leads to sin.
- ***Ten Commandments*** – the basis of all law and governance in the earth.
- ***Summary of the Law*** – Love God, neighbor, self.
- ***Golden Rule*** – do to others as you want done to you.

By renewing your mind, you will have a “grid” with which to process life and decision-making.

***2 Corinthians 4*** tells us to bring every thought captive to the mind of Christ.

- The renewed mind can detect deception.
- The renewed mind can detect error.
- The renewed mind can respond to temptation – it is written.
- The renewed mind is the source of God’s wisdom.
- The renewed mind is filled with Godly counsel.
- The renewed mind is a shield of faith.
- The renewed mind is a light in the darkness.
- The renewed mind is salt in the earth.

**WHAT YOU BELIEVE WILL ULTIMATELY DETERMINE THE  
CHOICES AND BEHAVIORS IN YOUR LIFE.**

## False Teaching

- Salvation without Jesus – John 14:6
- Church membership without transformation/conversion – Willow Creek, Churchgoer to Disciple
  - Comfortable                  Suffer                  Revelation          Reconciliation
  - Convenient                  Sacrifice              Repent              Reclaim
  - Casual                          Serve                    Receive
  - Cultural                        Surrender              Renew
  - Compromised                Submit                  Restore
- Worship without the Spirit – John 4:24
- Ministry without Power – 1 Cor 2:1-6
- The bible was written by man -2 Tim 3:16
- Good works vs grace – Romans 3:20
- Creation vs evolution – Genesis Chapters 1 and 2

## VS 2-8

- Older Men
- Older Women
- Young Men

## VS 9-10

- Slaves and Masters

## VS 11-14

- Grace in three tenses
  - Has appeared (past tense)
  - Teaching us (present tense)
  - Looking for the blessed hope (future tense)
- Why Jesus Came - salvation
- What He did when He came -redeemed us from lawlessness
- What He said when He came – instructed us to life right
- What He accomplished when He came – gave us the hope of His appearing
- Who we are because He came – we became His possession.

## VS 15 – exhort and reprove