

# TITUS

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I. Date: AD 66

II. Recipient

- I. Titus: mentioned **13** times in the NT.
  1. Paul's young Greek convert, went with Paul on his 2nd visit to **Jerusalem**.
  2. He showed that a Gentile could become a Christian without first becoming **Jewish**.
  3. Paul gave him difficult assignments.
    - a. served as Paul's **negotiator** at Corinth
    - b. left on **Crete** to appoint pastors in churches on the island.

## III. Setting:

### I. Island of Crete:

1. it is located in the Mediterranean Sea, near the Aegean Sea.
2. It is rich in religious lore and pagan philosophy.
  - a. the mythological birthplace of Zeus.
  - b. famous for the mythological Minotaur: half bull & half human monster

## IV. Theme:

- I. the proper relationship of God, the church, and society in general within the developing church.

# V. Contributions:

- I. It shows the transforming power of the gospel on Christians.
- II. It points out the relationship between salvation and works.