Liop and Lamb Apologetics TITUS AN OVERVIEW

Purpose

To advise Titus in his responsibility of supervising the churches on the island of Crete.

Author

Paul

Date

Written about AD 64 probably from Macedonia around the time 1 Timothy was written.

Audience

To Titus and all believers everywhere

Setting

Paul likely wrote Titus during a fourth missionary journey not recorded in the book of Acts. Writing from an unknown location, he instructed Titus in how to organize and oversee the churches on the island of Crete. The churches there had apparently been founded by Paul. This letter tells Titus how to do this job.

Special Features

The distinctive rhetorical or stylistic feature of the letter is its concentration. Most of Paul's advice is phrased in the imperative mood, producing a tone of urgency.



Key Verses

"For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. It teaches us to say 'No' to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live selfcontrolled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope—the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ." (2:11-13 NIV84)

"Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior, that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life." (3:4b-7 NKJV)

Key People Paul, Titus

Key Places Crete, Nicopolis