Paul's Letter to

TITUS was / is...

"For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works. Speak these things, exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no one despise you." (*Titus 2:11-15*)

a concise summary
of what was needed
(fill in the blank)

about how to

have a good testimony

(fill in the blank)

ABOVE ALL ABOUT

what's good/healthy

(fill in the blank)

against what is

false, sinful, & unhealthy

(fill in the blank)

Christ-centered

and cross-cultural

(fill in the blank)

concise but also detailed (1:7-9)

(fill in the blank)

doctrinally based

practical instructions

(fill in the blank)

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in agreement with

<u>Ephesians 2:8-10</u>

(fill in the blank)

in line with

Second Peter 1:5-11

(fill in the blank)

more than

optional, good advice

(fill in the blank)

negative but

also hopeful (1:3, 2:11-14, 3:7)

(fill in the blank)

not about how to

adapt to the culture

(fill in the blank)

preparing for
long-term ministry

(fill in the blank)

significantly different from <u>church growth literature</u> somewhat like

1st & 2nd Timothy

(fill in the blank)

still good for

pastors/churches today

(fill in the blank)

Directions: after reading through **Titus** at least twice and the notes in a good study Bible, think about and discuss how the Epistle is described above. Do you agree with the answers supplied on the various blank lines? Do you agree that Paul's Letter to Titus was "God's health plan for a sick society?" If you were to change the descriptive phrases above, how would you do so? **At the end, discuss the most important descriptive phrases and make personal applications.** In doing so, think about Paul's purpose in writing to Titus and how the situation in Crete back then may be like or unlike your situation today.—© 2022 by Jon F. Mahar, Hakusan City, Japan and Alexander, Maine, U.S.A.