

Titus: Three Excellent Summaries of Christian Theology

The general content of Titus is like that of 1 Timothy, except for a stronger emphasis on creedal formulation. (Merrill C. Tenney, New testament Survey, p. 337)

Note elements contained in these passages:

1. The personality of God (2:11, 3:6)
2. The qualities of His love and grace (2:11, 3:4)
3. His title of Savior (1:3, 2:10, 2:13, 3:4, 3:6)
4. The Holy Spirit (3:5)
5. The implication of the triune being of God (3:5,6)
6. The essential deity of Christ (2:13)
7. The vicarious atonement of Christ (2:14)
8. The universality of salvation (2:11)
9. Salvation by grace, not by works (3:5)
10. The incoming of the Holy Spirit (3:5)
11. Justification by faith (3:7)
12. Sanctification (purification) of His own people (2:14)
13. Separation from evil (2:12)
14. Inheritance of eternal life (1:2, 3:7)
15. The return of Christ (2:13)
16. The truth and unchanging character of God (1:2)

Titus 1:1-4

Tit 1:1 Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ, for the sake of the faith of God's elect and their knowledge of the truth, which accords with godliness,

Tit 1:2 in hope of eternal life, which God,

who never lies,

promised before the ages began

Tit 1:3 and at the proper time manifested in his word through the preaching with which I have been entrusted by the command of God our Savior;

Titus 2:11-14

Tit 2:11 For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people,

Tit 2:12 training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age,

Tit 2:13 waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,

Tit 2:14 who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

Titus 3:4-7

Tit 3:4 But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared,

Tit 3:5 he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit,

Tit 3:6 whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior,

Tit 3:7 so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.