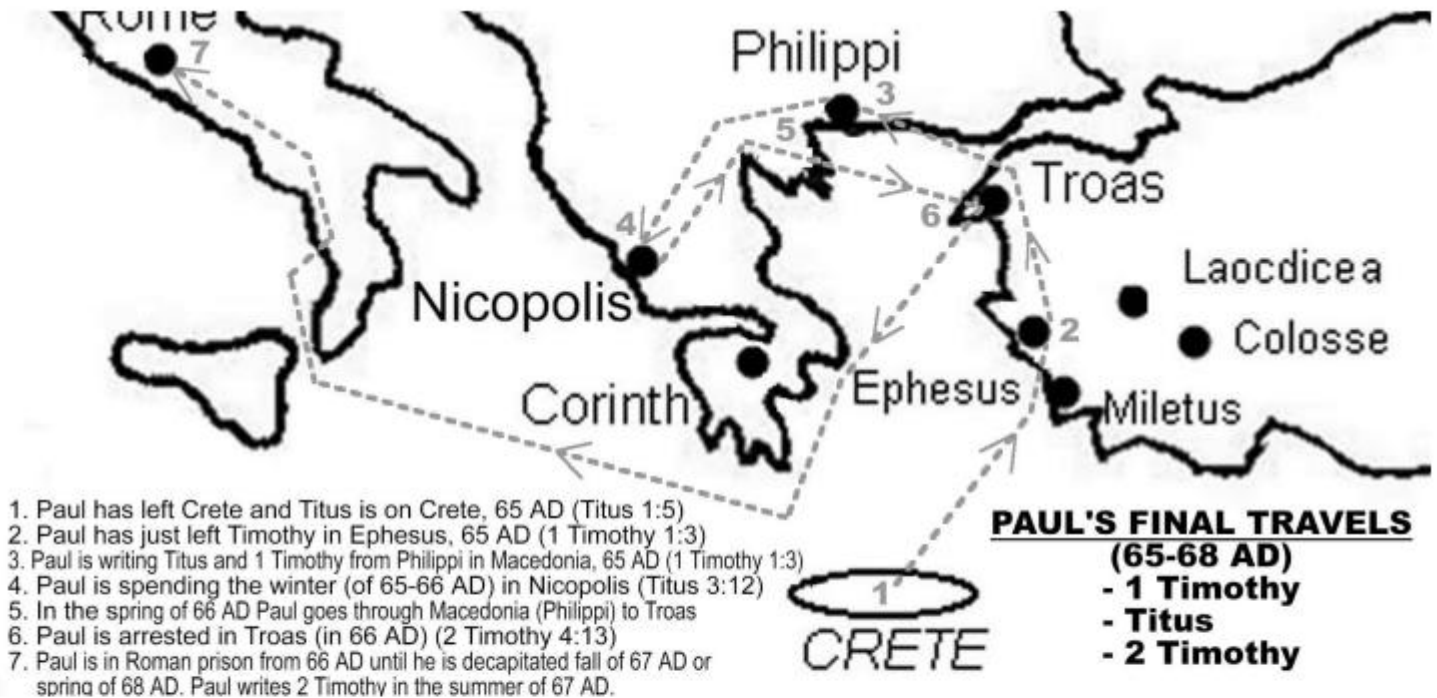


## Titus 1:1-4



- Paul has left **Crete** and Titus is on Crete (Titus 1:5)
- Paul is writing from **Macedonia** (1 Timothy 1:3)
- Paul has just left Timothy in **Ephesus** (1 Timothy 1:3)
- Paul is spending the winter (of 65-66 AD) in **Nicopolis** (Titus 3:12)
- Paul will be arrested in **Troas** (in 66 AD ) (2 Timothy 4:13)

### Opening of the Letter – Titus 1:1-4

1. One of the longest and detailed openings (salutation, greetings, prescripts)
  - a. Romans – 71 Greek words
  - b. **Titus – 46 Greek words**
  - c. Galatians – 25 Greek words
  - d. Others – 4-14 Greek words
2. “God” occurs 5x in the first four verses. Plus:
  - a. “Jesus Christ” 1x
  - b. “Christ Jesus” 1x
  - c. “Savior” 2x
3. “Faith” 2x in prepositional phrases
  - a. “to further the faith of God’s elect” – beginning at 1:1
  - b. “true son in our common faith” – ending at 1:4

Titus 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,**

3972 [e]	1401 [e]	2316 [e]	652 [e]	1161 [e]	2424 [e]	5547 [e]	2596 [e]	4102 [e]	1588 [e]	2316 [e]
Paulos	doulos	Theou	apostolos	de	Iesou	Christou	kata	pistin	eklektōn	Theou
1 Παῦλος ,	δοῦλος	Θεοῦ ,	ἀπόστολος	δὲ	Ἰησοῦ	Χριστοῦ ,	κατὰ	πίστιν	ἐκλεκτῶν	Θεοῦ ,
Paul	a servant	of God	an apostle	now	of Jesus	Christ	according to	[the] faith	of [the] elect	of God
N-NMS	N-NMS	N-GMS	N-NMS	Conj	N-GMS	N-GMS	Prep	N-AFS	Adj-GMP	N-GMS

2532 [e]	1922 [e]	225 [e]	3588 [e]	2596 [e]	2150 [e]
kai	epignōsin	alētheias	tēs	kat'	eusebeian
καὶ	ἐπίγνωσιν	ἀληθείας ,	τῆς	κατ'	εὐσέβειαν ,
and	knowledge	of [the] truth	which [is]	according to	godliness
Conj	N-AFS	N-GFS	Art-GFS	Prep	N-AFS

1. Paul identifies himself as a “servant”
  - a. Only used elsewhere in Romans and Philippians where Paul and Timothy are “servants”
  - b. Peter, James, Jude also identify as servants
2. Also, as a “servant” he serves as “an apostle”
  - a. By this time (65 AD), Paul has been an apostle for 30 years.
  - b. Only letters Paul does not introduce himself as an apostle is:
    - i. When identified with Timothy in Philippians and Philemon
    - ii. When identified with Silas and Timothy in 1 Thessalonians and 2 Thessalonians
3. Paul is a servant and an apostle of Jesus Christ for two identified purposes:
  - a. “for the sake of the faith of God’s elect”
  - b. “for...their knowledge of the truth which is according to godliness”  
 (“for...their knowledge of the truth which produces godliness”)
    - i. “Godliness” is the natural result of the true knowledge of God
      1. 2 Peter 1:3 – His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to[c] his own glory and excellence “
      2. 2 Peter 1:6, 7
      3. 2 Peter 3:11
      4. 1 Timothy 4:6 – “If you put these things before the brothers, you will be a good servant of Christ Jesus, ***being trained*** in the ***words of the faith*** and of the ***good doctrine*** that you have followed. Have nothing to do with irreverent, silly myths. ***Rather train yourself for godliness***; for while bodily training is of some value, godliness is of value in every way, as it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come.”
    - ii. 2 Timothy 3:7 warns against “speculation” and “theories” about potential knowledge and “truths” which are unproductive:  
“always learning but never able to come to a knowledge of the truth.”

## 1:2 – in hope of eternal life, which God, who never lies, promised before the ages began

1909 [e]	1680 [e]	2222 [e]	166 [e]	3739 [e]	1861 [e]	3588 [e]	893 [e]	2316 [e]	4253 [e]	5550 [e]	166 [e]
ep'	elpidi	zōēs	aiōniou	hēn	epēngeilato	ho	apseudēs	Theos	pro	chronōn	aiōniōn
2 ἐπ'	ἐλπίδι	ζωῆς	αἰωνίου ,	ἣν	ἐπηγγείλατο	ὁ	ἄψευδης ,	Θεὸς ,	πρὸ	χρόνων	αἰωνίων ;
in	[the] hope	of life	eternal	which	promised	-	who cannot lie	God	before	time	eternal
Prep	N-DFS	N-GFS	Adj-GFS	RelPro-AFS	V-AIM-3S	Art-NMS	Adj-NMS	N-NMS	Prep	N-GMP	Adj-GMP

1. This godliness has a base in theological truth focusing here on eschatology.
  - a. Here the knowledge of the truth that we have “the hope of eternal life” will lead us to godliness.
2. The strength of the “hope” is not the inward experience or the emotional feeling, but the knowledge of the truth of the reality of the object of our “hope” → Jesus Christ
3. Two ages – present age and age to come
  - a. But, this was established in a time “before the ages began”
4. Through Jesus Christ we have “HOPE” of “ETERNAL LIFE” to sustain us in the age to come.

**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;**

5319 [e]	1161 [e]	2540 [e]	2398 [e]	3588 [e]	3056 [e]	846 [e]	1722 [e]	2782 [e]	3739 [e]	4100 [e]	1473 [e]
ephanerōsen	de	kairois	idiois	ton	logon	autou	en	kērygmati	ho	episteuthēn	egō
3 ἐφανερώσεν	δὲ ,	καιροῖς	ἰδίοις ,	τὸν	λόγον	αὐτοῦ ,	ἐν	κηρύγματι	ὃ	ἐπιστεύθην	ἐγὼ ,
He revealed	now	[in] seasons	[His] own	in the	word	of Him	in	[the] proclamation	with which	have been entrusted	I
V-AIA-3S	Conj	N-DMP	Adj-DMP	Art-AMS	N-AMS	PPro-GM3S	Prep	N-DNS	RelPro-ANS	V-AIP-1S	PPro-N1S

2596 [e]	2003 [e]	3588 [e]	4990 [e]	1473 [e]	2316 [e]
kat'	epitagēn	tou	Sōtēros	hēmōn	Theou
κατ'	ἐπιταγὴν	τοῦ	Σωτῆρος	ἡμῶν ,	Θεοῦ .
according to	[the] commandment	of the	Savior	of us	God
Prep	N-AFS	Art-GMS	N-GMS	PPro-G1P	N-GMS

1. “proper time” in this age God manifested his word or the Truth
2. Paul is proclaiming that Truth or the revealed “word”

**1:4 – To Titus, my true child in a common faith:**

**Grace and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Savior.**

5103 [e]	1103 [e]	5043 [e]	2596 [e]	2839 [e]	4102 [e]	5485 [e]	2532 [e]	1515 [e]	575 [e]	2316 [e]	3962 [e]	2532 [e]	5547 [e]
Titō	gnēsio	teknō	kata	koinēn	pistin	Charis	kai	eirēnē	apo	Theou	Patros	kai	Christou
4 Τίτῳ ,	γνησίῳ	τέκνῳ	κατὰ	κοινὴν	πίστιν :	Χάρις	καὶ	εἰρήνῃ	ἀπὸ	Θεοῦ	Πατρὸς	καὶ	Χριστοῦ
To Titus	[my] true	child	according to	[our] common	faith	Grace	and	peace	from	God	[the] Father	and	Christ
N-DMS	Adj-DNS	N-DNS	Prep	Adj-AFS	N-AFS	N-NFS	Conj	N-NFS	Prep	N-GMS	N-GMS	Conj	N-GMS

2424 [e]	3588 [e]	4990 [e]	1473 [e]
Iēsou	tou	Sōtēros	hēmōn
Ἰησοῦ	τοῦ	Σωτῆρος	ἡμῶν .
Jesus	the	Savior	of us
N-GMS	Art-GMS	N-GMS	PPro-G1P