

Titus 3:12-15

1. 3:12-12 = closing directions for ministry action and movement
2. 3:14 = Restate central theme
3. 3:15 = Greetings with same mention of “grace” the letter began with in 1:4

Titus 3:12 – **When I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there.**

3752 [e]	3992 [e]	734 [e]	4314 [e]	4771 [e]	2228 [e]	5190 [e]	4704 [e]	2064 [e]	4314 [e]	
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12	Όταν	πέμψω	Άρτεμᾶν	πρὸς	σὲ ,	ἢ	Τυχικόν ,	σπούδασον	ἔλθειν	πρὸς
	When	I shall send	Artemas	to	you	or	Tychicus	be diligent	to come	to
	Conj	V-ASA-1S	N-AMS	Prep	PPro-A2S	Conj	N-AMS	V-AMA-2S	V-ANA	Prep

1473 [e]	1519 [e]	3533 [e]	1563 [e]	1063 [e]	2919 [e]	3914 [e]
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με	εἰς	Νικόπολιν ;	ἐκεῖ	γὰρ	κέκρικα	παραχειμάσαι .
me	into	Nicopolis	there	for	I have decided	to winter
PPro-A1S	Prep	N-AFS	Adv	Conj	V-RIA-1S	V-ANA

1. Either Artemas or Tychicus may be the one Paul sends the letter with to Titus back on Crete
 - a. Paul had not determined who would go to Crete to replace Titus (and, carry the letter)
 - b. In 2 Timothy 4:12 Tychicus is sent to Ephesus, so possibly Artemas was sent.
2. **Artemas** –
 - a. No other mention in the New Testament
 - b. Common name
 - c. Artemas was a Greek female goddess mentioned in Acts 19:24, 27, 28, 34, 35
3. **Tychicus**
 - a. Traveled with Paul on Third journey
 - b. From the Roman province of Asia
 - c. Traveled with Paul and others to Jerusalem in Acts 20:4 with donation for poor Jewish believers
 - d. Tychicus had carried letters to:
 - i. Ephesus (Ephesians 6:21-22) – “So that you also may know how I am and what I am doing, **Tychicus** the beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord will tell you everything. I have sent him to you for this very purpose, that you may know how we are, and that he may encourage your hearts.”
 - ii. Colossae (Colossians 4:7-9) – “**Tychicus** will tell you all about my activities. He is a beloved brother and faithful minister and fellow servant[b] in the Lord I have sent him to you for this very purpose, that you may know how we are and that he may encourage your hearts, and with him Onesimus, our faithful and beloved brother, who is one of you. They will tell you of everything that has taken place here.”

- e. Tychicus was with Paul when he was arrested and in Roman prison the second time (not recorded in Acts) according to 2 Timothy 4:12 where Paul tells Timothy he had sent Tychicus to Ephesus:

“*Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Luke alone is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is very useful to me for ministry. **Tychicus** I have sent to Ephesus.*”

– 2 Timothy 4:10-12

3:13 – Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing.

2211 [e]	3588 [e]	3544 [e]	2532 [e]	625 [e]	4709 [e]	4311 [e]	2443 [e]	3367 [e]
Zēnan	ton	nomikon	kai	Apollōn	spoudaiōs	propempson	hina	mēden
13 Ζηνᾶν	τὸν	νομικὸν	καὶ	Ἀπολλῶν	σπουδαίως	πρόπεμψον	, ἵνα	μηδὲν
Zenas	the	lawyer	and	Apollos	earnestly	equip	so that	nothing
N-AMS	Art-AMS	Adj-AMS	Conj	N-AMS	Adv	V-AMA-2S	Conj	Adj-NNS

**"diligently"
"instantly"
"act speedily"**

propempson from:
- pro = "before"
- pempo = "sent"
= "send forward",
"escort", "aid in travel"

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autois	leipē
αὐτοῖς	λείπη .
to them	should be lacking
PPro-DM3P	V-PSA-3S

1. Titus
 - a. When Artemas or Tychicus arrive to Crete Titus is to move to Nicopolis
 - i. Artemas or Tychicus will replace Titus on Crete
 - ii. “Do your best” from *spoudason* means “diligently, instantly” it means to “act speedily”
 - iii. Nicopolis is 5-10 days by sea from Crete
 - iv. Nicopolis is the capital of the province of Epirus in NW Greece founded by Augustus in 31 BC after his victory over Antony and Cleopatra
2. Tutus is to help two people on their way
 - a. Zenas and Apollos are with Paul (possibly in Corinth)
 - b. Zenas and Apollos are carrying this letter to Titus
 - c. Zenas and Apollos are heading somewhere by way of Crete.
 - i. Apollos is from Alexandria. (Acts 18:24-28)
 - ii. Apollos was a teacher in Corinth
 1. “What I mean is that each one of you says, “I follow Paul,” or “I follow Apollos,” or “I follow Cephas,” or “I follow Christ.” Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?”
– First Corinthians 1:12-14

2. “And it happened that while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul passed through the inland[a] country and came to Ephesus. There he found some disciples.” – Acts 19:1
3. Zena (means “gift of Zeus”
 - a. No where else in Scripture
 - b. Lawyer – nomikos – likely an expert in Greek or Roman Law (could also refer to a Scribe if he were Jewish and be an expert in Jewish law or Torah)
4. Apollos
 - a. Was an educated man with complete knowledge of the Scriptures (meaning th Old Testament) according to Acts 18:24
 - b. Mentioned 10 x in the New Testament
 - c. From Alexandria
 - d. Zenas and Apollos may be leaving Paul from:
 - i. Ephesus as Paul heads north towards Troas
 - ii. Corinth as Paul heads north into Nicopolis
 - e. Zenas and Apollos may be passing by Crete on their way to Alexandria, Egypt
 - f. Zenas and Apollos are likely carrying the letter to Titus
5. “Diligently send along with any assistance³ they need” is from **spoudaios**
 - a. Means financially support them and give them provisions to get to Alexandria

3:14 – **And let our people learn to devote themselves to good works, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not be unfruitful.**

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	manthanetōsan	de	kai	hoi	hēmeteroi	kalōn	ergōn	proistasthai	eis
14	μανθανέτωσαν	δὲ	καὶ	οἱ	ἡμέτεροι	<u>καλῶν ἔργων</u>		προϊστασθαι	, εἰς
	Let learn	now	also	-	our [people]	good	works	to devote themselves to	for
	V-PMA-3P	Conj	Conj	Art-NMP	PPro-NM1P	Adj-GNP	N-GNP	V-PNM	Prep

from the word **mathetes** meaning "a disciple"
 meaning Disciples do not just join, they must learn and live out the teaching

3588 [e]	316 [e]	5532 [e]	2443 [e]	3361 [e]	1510 [e]	175 [e]
tas	anankaiais	chreias	hina	mē	ōsin	akarpoi
τὰς	ἀναγκαίας	χρείας	, ἵνα	μὴ	ὧσιν	ἄκαρποι .
-	necessary	needs	so that	not	they should be	unfruitful
Art-AFP	Adj-AFP	N-AFP	Conj	Adv	V-PSA-3P	Adj-NMP

1. “Zeal to do good works”
2. “our people” are the Cretan Christians
3. The specific “good works” would be helping Zenas and Apollos
4. “urgent need” is pressing needs.
 - a. Meaning everyone should carry his own load
Galatians 6:5 – “For each will have to bear his own load.”
 - b. These are necessary, pressing, urgent needs.
5. “Learn to do good”
 - a. Good deeds = fruit

- b. “not live unproductive lives” literally says “Not be without fruit (*akarpo*)”
 - i. Jude 12 “trees without fruit” (*akarpo*)
 - ii. **Karpos** means “fruit”
 - iii. “**a-**” is a negative particle
- c. “let them learn” refers to “learning by doing”
- d. Good works or good fruit addressed in this letter: 1:16; 2:7; 2:14; 3:1; 3:8

3:15 – **All who are with me send greetings to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all.**

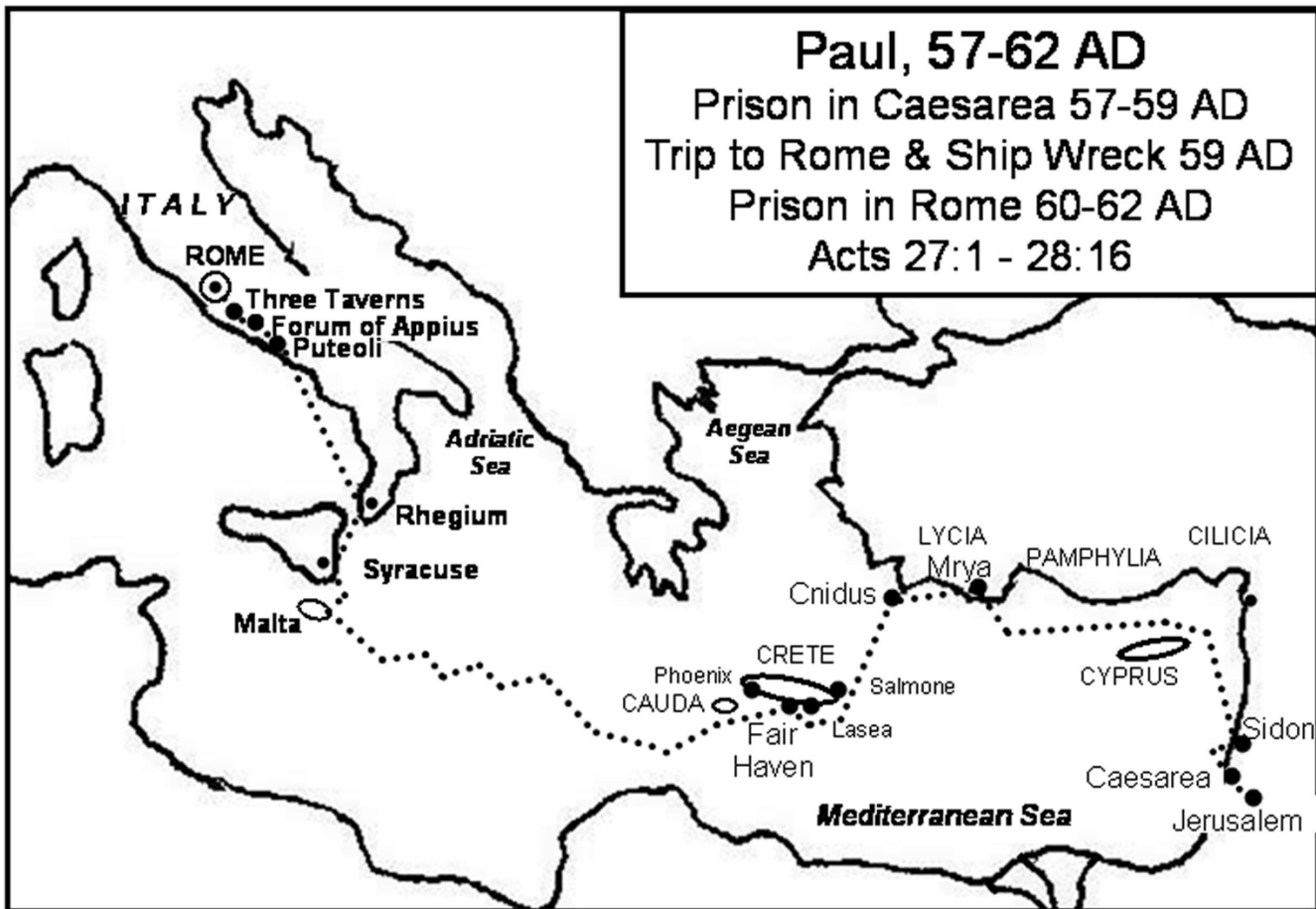
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15 Ἀσπάζονται	σε ,	οἱ	μετ'	ἐμοῦ	πάντες .	Ἄσπασαι	τοὺς	φιλοῦντας
Greet	you	those	with	me	all	Greet	those	loving
V-PIM/P-3P	PPro-A2S	Art-NMP	Prep	PPro-G1S	Adj-NMP	V-AMM-2S	Art-AMP	V-PPA-AMP

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ἡμᾶς	ἐν	πίστει .	Ἡ	χάρις	μετὰ	πάντων	ὑμῶν .	Ἀμήν .
us	in	[the] faith	-	Grace [be]	with	all	of you	Amen
PPro-A1P	Prep	N-DFS	Art-NFS	N-NFS	Prep	Adj-GMP	PPro-G2P	Heb

1. Everyone (plural) with Paul sends Titus (singular) greetings
2. Greet (you, Titus, singular) those (Cretan believers, plural) who love us in the faith
 - a. May not have met us, or know us other than we share the faith
 - b. Referring to the true believers; not the liars, false brothers already mentioned in this letter in the Crete church
 - c. Grace be with you all to accomplish this be God’s grace
3. “grace be with you all”
 - a. Switches to the plural
 - b. Paul knew the others would hear the letter to Titus.

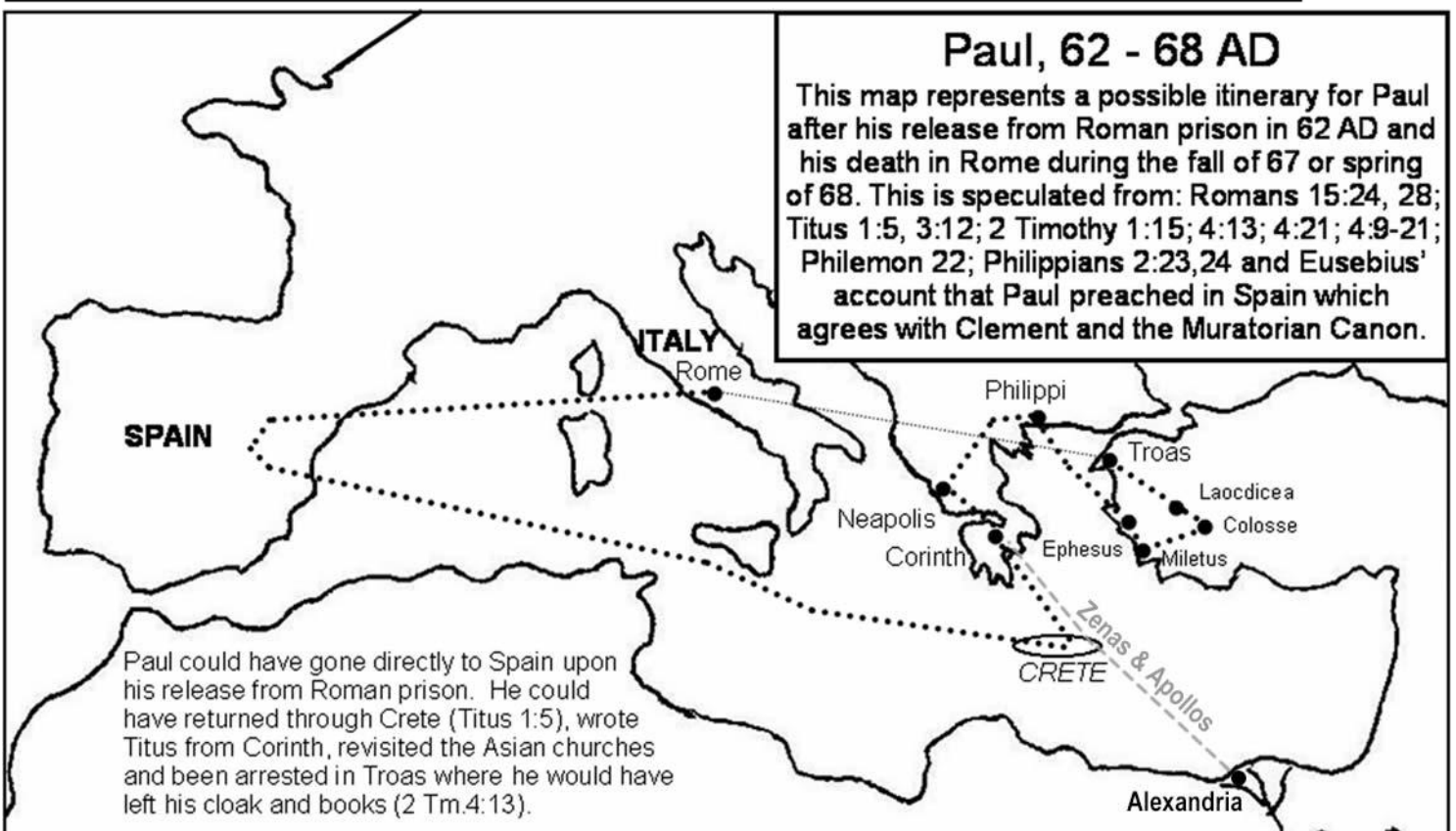
Paul, 57-62 AD

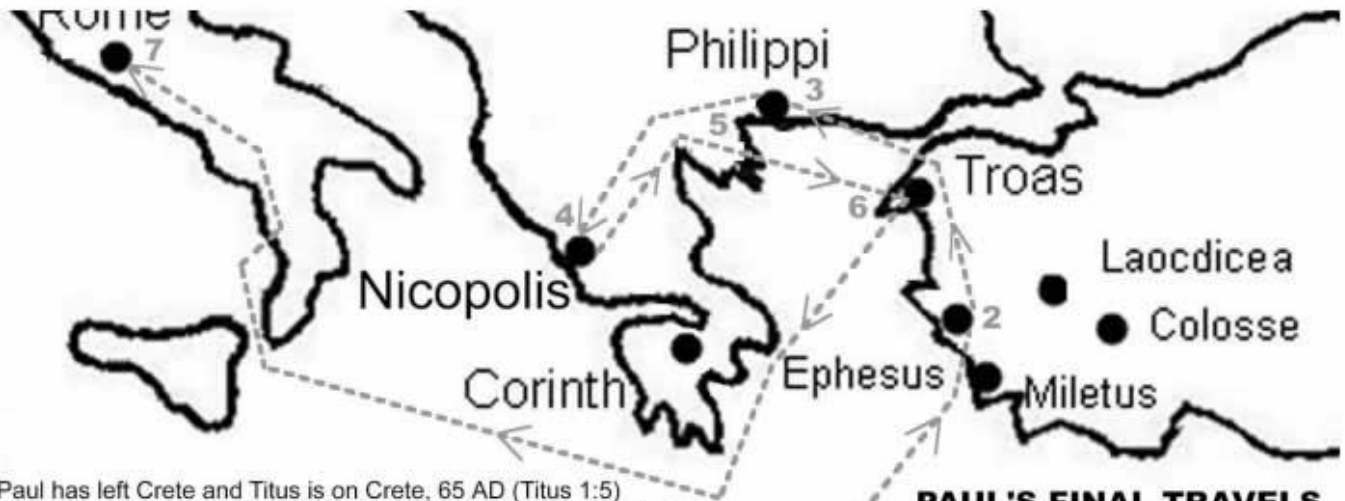
Prison in Caesarea 57-59 AD
Trip to Rome & Ship Wreck 59 AD
Prison in Rome 60-62 AD
Acts 27:1 - 28:16



Paul, 62 - 68 AD

This map represents a possible itinerary for Paul after his release from Roman prison in 62 AD and his death in Rome during the fall of 67 or spring of 68. This is speculated from: Romans 15:24, 28; Titus 1:5, 3:12; 2 Timothy 1:15; 4:13; 4:21; 4:9-21; Philemon 22; Philippians 2:23,24 and Eusebius' account that Paul preached in Spain which agrees with Clement and the Muratorian Canon.





1. Paul has left Crete and Titus is on Crete, 65 AD (Titus 1:5)
2. Paul has just left Timothy in Ephesus, 65 AD (1 Timothy 1:3)
3. Paul is writing Titus and 1 Timothy from Philippi in Macedonia, 65 AD (1 Timothy 1:3)
4. Paul is spending the winter (of 65-66 AD) in Nicopolis (Titus 3:12)
5. In the spring of 66 AD Paul goes through Macedonia (Philippi) to Troas
6. Paul is arrested in Troas (in 66 AD) (2 Timothy 4:13)
7. Paul is in Roman prison from 66 AD until he is decapitated fall of 67 AD or spring of 68 AD. Paul writes 2 Timothy in the summer of 67 AD.

PAUL'S FINAL TRAVELS
(65-68 AD)
 - 1 Timothy
 - Titus
 - 2 Timothy

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- 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)