

# **The Titus Ten by J. Josh Smith**

## **Introduction**

1. In the book of Titus, what were the three primary themes the Apostle Paul emphasized to Titus to help him shepherd the church on the island of Crete? Give examples and amplify. Pages 10-12.

2. What character in the Bible do you most identify with? Why?

## **Chapter One – Dominion**

1. What are the two words that give clarity to the meaning of dominion (Genesis 2:15)? These two words describe the primary roles of every man. Explain these two concepts. Pages 23-26.

2. What are the four areas in the life of a man in which God wants him to take dominion? Explain and amplify each one. Which of the four areas do you find it most difficult to walk in dominion? Why? Pages 26-34.

## Chapter Two – Gospel

1. Explain the clear message of the gospel including its major points using memory verses from the books of Romans and John and any of the author's comments from this chapter. Pages 45-48

2. In Titus 1:10 Paul mentions “the circumcision party” who believed and taught a false gospel. What did this group teach and how were they wrong? See Titus 3:4-8, Galatians 3:2-3 and pages 38-39.

## Chapter Three – Identity

1. **Identity** answers the questions, “Who am I?” **Assignment** answers the question, “What has God called me to do?” When it comes to understanding our true manhood and becoming godly men, four primary words must become your core identity. Give and summarize each. Pages 60-69.

2. What is the cycle men get into who do not know their identity in Christ? Give and explain. Pages 71-72.

## Chapter Four – Assignments

1. God-given assignments are (1) people God has entrusted to you and (2) anything He has called you to do. Write down everyone God has entrusted to you and everything God has called you to do. To put it another way, what are the things in life that, if you neglected them, would indicate you had not been faithful to the Lord.

2. After writing down your assignments **in order of priority**, answer the following questions:

A. Which of these assignments need more attention than you are giving it? Why?

B. Are you spending too much time in anything that is not your assignment? Explain.

C. Are there any assignments you are avoiding right now for any reason? Explain.

D. Is an assignment in a ministry in my local church a priority?

## Chapter Five – Authority

1. Paul told Titus, “Encourage and rebuke with all authority (2:15).” God has called Christian men to walk in authority. Answer the following questions about this subject.

A. Who was the man that chose passivity, which caused the whole human race to fall into darkness? Explain.

B. Why it is necessary for us to focus on the authority we have been given by God? Ephesians 6:10-13.

C. What does Jesus give us the authority and power to do? Matthew 28:18-20 and Acts 1:8.

D. What person in the New Testament (a Gentile) understood clearly the concept of authority as it applied to himself and with Jesus? Answer and explain. Matthew 8:5-10 and John 5:19. How does this apply to you?

2. Men are to walk under the authority of Jesus Christ, which means to walk in complete submission to Him and live in daily dependence upon Him. If we walk under His authority, in what three ways will our authority be expressed? List and amplify. Pages 110-113.

## **Chapter Six – Character**

1. Paul sent Titus to the church at Crete to appoint godly men as elders, since the present leaders in the church were rebellious, empty talkers and deceivers (verse 10). The author said that the character qualities of the men to be appointed as elders (verses 6-9) could be encapsulated in three broad categories: blamelessness, self-control and courage. Summarize what the author said about each of these three qualities. Pages 123-131.

2. As you look at the character qualities of a godly man (verses 6-9), do you feel deficient in any area/areas? If so, explain.

## **Chapter Seven – Doctrine**

1. Summarize the main ideas of this chapter about the importance of sound doctrine in the life of the follower of Christ. Include in your summary verses from the book of Titus that speak of sound doctrine and teaching.

2. What must a disciple of Christ do in order to have a solid foundation of the truths of God's Word in his life? Psalm 1:2, II Timothy 2:15, 3:16-17 and Acts 17:11.

## **Chapter 8 – Mission**

1. We join God in His mission by declaring and displaying the gospel of the Kingdom. What is the Great Commission Jesus gave to us and to the Church before He ascended to Heaven? Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 1:8 and Mark 16:15.

2. Why is sharing the gospel to non-believers so challenging to Christian men?  
Page 170.

3. What practical steps can you take right now to discover and engage in the mission to which God has called you?

## **Chapter 9 – Zeal**

1. How do we define the word “zeal” and who is the person who exemplified “zeal” in the New Testament? Psalm 69:9 and John 2:17. Page 182.

2. What practical steps can you take to cultivate zeal for the Lord in your life? Use the author’s ideas as well as your own thoughts.

3. Including the book of Titus, what passages in scripture exhort us to be zealous? On a scale of 1 to 10 with 10 being the highest, how would you rate yourself in the area of godly zeal? This is a personal question.

## **Chapter 10 – Investments**

1. Who in the book of Acts is an example of a man who invested his life in others? What persons did he invest in? Pages 201-204.

2. Summarize in your own words the challenge the author gave to us about investing ourselves in the lives of others.

3. Is there anyone in your life you feel you should invest in? What steps do you need to take to do that?