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# [**Titus 1:1-4**](http://biblehub.com/titus/1.htm)**– Paul’s Introduction to Titus**

[**1**](http://biblehub.com/titus/1-1.htm)Paul, a **bond-servant** of God and an **apostle** of Jesus Christ, for the **faith of those chosen** of God and the **knowledge of the truth** which is according to godliness, [**2**](http://biblehub.com/titus/1-2.htm)in the hope of eternal life, which God, who cannot lie, **promised** long ages ago, [**3**](http://biblehub.com/titus/1-3.htm)but at the **proper** time manifested, *even* His word, in the **proclamation** with which I was entrusted according to the commandment of God our Savior,  
      [**4**](http://biblehub.com/titus/1-4.htm)To Titus, my true child in a common faith: Grace and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Savior.

**Interesting Words**

##### bond-servant

(δοῦλος – Greek) – doulos [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/1401.htm) bond-slave, servant, slave, bondservant, properly, someone who belongs to another; a bond-slave, without any ownership rights of their own – [James 1:1](https://ref.ly/James%201.1;nasb95?t=biblia); [Rom 6:19](https://ref.ly/Rom%206.19;nasb95?t=biblia);

##### apostle

(ἀπόστολος – Greek) – apostolos [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/652.htm) a messenger, envoy, delegate, one commissioned by another to represent him in some way, especially a man sent out by Jesus Christ Himself to preach the Gospel; an apostle.

##### faith of those chosen

• (πίστις – Greek) – pistis [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/4102.htm) faith – [John 8:24](https://ref.ly/John%208.24;nasb95?t=biblia); [Heb 11:1](https://ref.ly/Heb%2011.1;nasb95?t=biblia);  
  
• (ἐκλεκτός – Greek) – eklektos [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/1588.htm) elect, choice, select, chosen out by God for the rendering of special service to Him, especially as a deeply personal choice – [John 1:11-12](https://ref.ly/John%201.11-12;nasb95?t=biblia); [6:44](https://ref.ly/John%206.44;nasb95?t=biblia);

##### knowledge of the truth

• (ἐπίγνωσις – Greek) – epignósis [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/1922.htm) full knowledge, discernment, recognition, knowledge gained through first-hand relationship, precise and correct knowledge; – [John 17:3](https://ref.ly/John%2017.3;nasb95?t=biblia)  
  
• (ἀλήθεια – Greek) – alétheia [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/225.htm) truth, but not merely truth as spoken; truth of idea, reality, sincerity, truth in the moral sphere, divine truth revealed to man – [John 6:45](https://ref.ly/John%206.45;nasb95?t=biblia), [8:31-32](https://ref.ly/John%208.31-32;nasb95?t=biblia), [14:6](https://ref.ly/John%2014.6;nasb95?t=biblia),

##### promised

(ἐπαγγέλλομαι – Greek) – epaggellomai [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/1861.htm) to promise, to proclaim, to announce, (from epí, “on, fitting” intensifying aggellō, “announce”), properly, to declare a promise that is fitting (apt), i.e. legitimately applies, describes the act of making promises, particularly those made by God to His people – [Rom 4:21](https://ref.ly/Rom%204.21;nasb95?t=biblia); [Gal 3:19](https://ref.ly/Gal%203.19;nasb95?t=biblia); [2Peter 1:4](https://ref.ly/2%20Pet%201.4;nasb95?t=biblia);

##### proper

(καιρός – Greek) – kairos [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/2540.htm) fitting season, season, opportunity, occasion, time, suitable time, the right moment – [Rom 5:6](https://ref.ly/Rom%205.6;nasb95?t=biblia); [2Cor 6:2](https://ref.ly/2%20Cor%206.2;nasb95?t=biblia);

**Cross References**

▪︎ The role of hope – [Rom 8:24-25](https://ref.ly/Rom%208.24-25;nasb95?t=biblia);  
▪︎ At the proper time – [Heb 1:1-2](https://ref.ly/Heb%201.1-2;nasb95?t=biblia);  
▪︎ Jesus’ challenge – [John 20:21](https://ref.ly/John%2020.21;nasb95?t=biblia);  
▪︎ Paul’s challenge – [2Tim 2:2](https://ref.ly/2%20Tim%202.2;nasb95?t=biblia);

**Discussion Questions**

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###### 1. Put yourself in Tutus’ place. How does Paul’s use of the term bond-servant make you feel?

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###### 2. How about the use of the term apostle?

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###### 3. In [Titus 1:1](https://ref.ly/Titus%201.1;nasb95?t=biblia), Paul has a compound purpose statement (using the words “for” and “and”). What was Christ’s purpose for calling Paul?

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###### 4. [Titus 1:2](https://ref.ly/Titus%201.2;nasb95?t=biblia) amplifies this purpose. Explain how.

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###### 5. How does Paul introduce the concept of time in [Titus 1:2](https://ref.ly/Titus%201.2;nasb95?t=biblia)? Related to hope? Related to promise? And related to long ages ago?

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###### 6.What is implied by Paul’s use of the word “proper” in [Titus 1:3](https://ref.ly/Titus%201.3;nasb95?t=biblia)?

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###### 7.What was the role that Paul was looking for Titus to fulfill?

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