

[1-2] Paul, a servant of God
 [3] and an apostle of Jesus Christ
 [4] according to (the) faith of (the) elect of God
 [5] and (the) knowledge of (the) truth which (is) according to godliness
 [6-7] upon (the) hope of life, eternal
 [1-2] which (there) promised, the incapable-of-falsehood God, before times, eternal
 [3-4] and He revealed in appointed-times, our-own, His word, through proclamation
 [8-9] which (there) was entrusted, I, according to the command of our Savior, God
 [10] to Titus –
 [1] a genuine child according to a common faith –
 [2-3] grace and peace (be) from God,
 [4] Father,
 [5]* and Christ Jesus,
 [6] our Savior
 [7] on account of this, I left you in Crete
 [8-9] in order that the, (those things) remaining, you might set in order
 [10] and you might place in charge, according to city, elders –
 [1] as I, to you, assigned –
 [2] if a certain (one) is blameless
 [3] of one woman, (being) husband
 [4-5] children, having – faithful [believing]
 [6-7] not (being) in an accusation of debauchery or insubordination
 [8-9] for it is necessary (for) the overseer – blameless, to be, as God's steward
 [10] not (being) willful
 [1-4] not quick-tempered, not a drunkard, not a bully, not greedy
 [5-10] but (being) hospitable, a lover-of-goodness, self-controlled, upright, holy,
 disciplined
 [1] holding fast, according to the instruction, the faithful word
 [2-3] in order that, able, he might be, also to exhort in the doctrine –
 [4] the, being sound
 [1] and the, (those) speaking against
 [5] to rebuke!

This is a translation and a study of the Book of Titus. This work presents the possible presence of a literary numbering system in Titus. Following the PebbleCounting hypothesis, this numbering system appears to be inherent in the Greek and consistently used throughout Titus, as it is in other books of Scripture.

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“and Christ Jesus” | This name/title combination is counted as a single element, as observed elsewhere in the New Testament.

[2] for (there) **are**, many, **(being)** insubordinate
 [3-4] **empty-talkers** and **deceivers**
 [5] especially the, **(those being)** of the circumcision
 [1-2] of whom, **it is necessary, to silence!**
 [6] who, (the) whole house, **overthrow**
 [7-8] **teaching** what, **it is not necessary**, for the sake of shameful gain
 [9-10] (there) **said**, a certain one from their **own**, their **prophets**
 [1-2] "Cretans **(are)** **always** liars,
 [3] evil **beasts**,
 [4-5] **gluttons, lazy**"
 [1-2] the **testimony, this, is** true!
 [3-4] because of which cause, **rebuke** them, **sharply** –
 [5] in order that they **may be sound** in the faith
 [6] **not paying attention** to Jewish myths –
 [3] and (the) commandments of men **turning away** from the truth
 [7] all (things) **(are)** pure to the pure
 [4-5] but to the, (those) **being defiled** and **(being) without-faith**,
 [6] nothing **(is)** pure
 [7-8] but (there) **is defiled**, of them – also the **mind**, also the **conscience**
 [9-10] God, they **profess, to know** –
 [1] but with the works, they **deny**
 [2-3] **detestable, being**, and **disobedient**
 [4-5] and for every **work, good**, **(being)** unqualified 1:16
 [8-9] but **you** – **(you)** **speak** what **is fitting** to the, 2:1
 [10] **being sound**, doctrine
 [1] elders, **sober-minded**, **(are)** **to be**;
 [2-3] **dignified, self-controlled**,
 [4-6] sound in the **faith**, in the **love**, in the **endurance**
 [7] elder-women, likewise in behavior, **(are to be)** reverent
 [8] **not slanderers**
 [9-10] **not** with **wine, much**, **being enslaved**
 [1] **(being)** teachers-of-good
 [2-3] in order that they **may train** the younger-women – husband-lovers, **to be**
 [4-8] **(being)** **children-lovers, self-controlled, pure, homemakers, kind**,
 [9] **submitting** to their own husbands
 [10] in order that (there) **not** – the word of God – **be blasphemed**

[1-2] the younger-men likewise, (you) **exhort, to be sound-minded**

[3-4] concerning everything, **yourself, presenting** – an **example** of good works:

[5-7] in the **doctrine, integrity, dignity**

[8-10] **speech** – **wholesome, irreprehensible** –

[1-2] in order that the, (he **being**) from opposite, **may be ashamed**

[3-4] nothing, **having, to say** concerning us, evil

[1] servants, to their own masters, (**are**) **to submit** in all (things)

[2-3] well-pleasing, **to be; not speaking-against**

[4-5] **not pilfering**, but all **faith, showing, good**

[6-7] in order that the doctrine – the (**being**) of our **Savior**, of **God** – they **may adorn** in all (things)

[8-9] for (there) **has appeared**, the **grace** of God, **salvific**, to all people, **training** us

[10] that **denying** the ungodliness –

[1-3] and the worldly desires – **wisely** and **uprightly** and **godly**, we **should live** in the present age, **awaiting** the blessed hope

[4-5] and (the) manifestation of the glory of our great **God** and **Savior**,

[6] **Jesus Christ** –

[5-6] **who gave Himself** for us

[7] in order that He **might redeem** us from all lawlessness

[8-10] and **purify** for Himself a **people, chosen, zealous** for good works

[7-9] these (things) **speak** and **exhort** and **rebuke** with all authority

[5] no one, you, **let** (there) **disregard**

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[10] **remind** them –

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[1-2] to **rulers**, to **authorities**, **to submit**, **to obey**

[3-4] for every **work, good** – ready, **to be**

[5] no one, **to revile**

[6] not-quarrelsome, **to be**

[7] (**being**) gentle

[8] **showing** every forbearance to all people

[1-2] for (there) **were** once – also we – **foolish, disobedient**,

[3] **going astray**,

[4-6] **being enslaved** to **lusts** and **pleasures, various**

[7-8] in **malice** and in **envy, passing-our-lives**

[9] (**being**) detestable

[10] **hating** one another

[1-2] but when the kindness and philanthropy appeared, of our Savior –
 [3] God –
 [9-10] not from works, the, (being) in righteousness, which (there) have done, we –
 [4] but according to His mercy, He saved us, through (the) wash [washing] of regeneration
 [5-6] and (the) renewal of (the) Spirit, Holy
 [7-8] whom He poured out upon us, richly, through Jesus Christ,
 [9] our Savior
 [1-2] in order that, being justified by this-One's grace – heirs, we might become,
 according to (the) hope of life,
 [3] eternal
 [10] faithful (is) the word!
 [4-5] and concerning these (things), I want you, to insist
 [6-8] in order that (there) may be careful – good works, to practice – the, (those)
 having believed in God
 [9-10] this is good and profitable for people
 [1-5] but foolish controversies and genealogies and altercations and
 quarrels, legal [possibly, of the Mosaic law] – avoid
 [6-7] for they are unprofitable and useless
 [1-2] a divisive man, after one and a second warning, decline, knowing –
 [8-9] that (there) is perverted, the such-kind, and he sins,
 [10] being self-condemned
 [3-4] when I send Artemas to you, or Tychicus
 [5-6] endeavor, to come to me, to Nicopolis
 [7-8] for there, I have decided, to winter
 [9-10] Zenas, the lawyer –
 [1] and Apollos – earnestly send
 [2] in order that nothing, for them, (there) should lack
 [3-4] and let (there) learn, also, the, our [people] – good works, to practice,
 for the urgent needs
 [5] in order that we may not be unfruitful
 [1-2] (there) greet you, the, (those being) with me, all
 [3-4] greet the, (those) loving us in (the) faith
 [5] the grace (be) with all of you!

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