

All scripture is from the NASV. On pages 1-2 (Ed will refer to this as pages 1-3 in his message) Titus 1:1-16 is in the form of a phrase-by-phrase breakdown. The words and word order have not been changed. On the last page Titus 1 is shown as it appears in the New American Standard Bible, 1977 version.

Qualities Required  
in a Society of  
Liars, Evil Beasts and Lazy Gluttons

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**Titus 1**

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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,  
<sup>2</sup>in the hope of eternal life,  
which  
God,  
who cannot lie,  
promised long ages ago,  
<sup>3</sup>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;

<sup>4</sup>to Titus, my true child in a common faith:  
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not quick-tempered,  
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<sup>8</sup>but hospitable,

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sensible,

just,

devout,

self-controlled,

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and to refute those who contradict.

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"Cretans are always liars, evil beasts, lazy gluttons."

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For this cause reprove them severely  
that they may be sound in the faith,

<sup>14</sup>not paying attention to

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and commandments of men who turn away from the truth.

<sup>15</sup>To the pure, all things are pure;

but to those who are defiled and unbelieving, nothing is pure,  
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