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“... the main reason Christian believers today have not had the influence in the culture to which they have aspired is not that they don't believe enough, or try hard enough, or care enough, or think Christianly enough, or have the right worldview, but rather because they have been absent from the arenas in which the greatest influence in the culture is exerted.”

James Davidson Hunter,

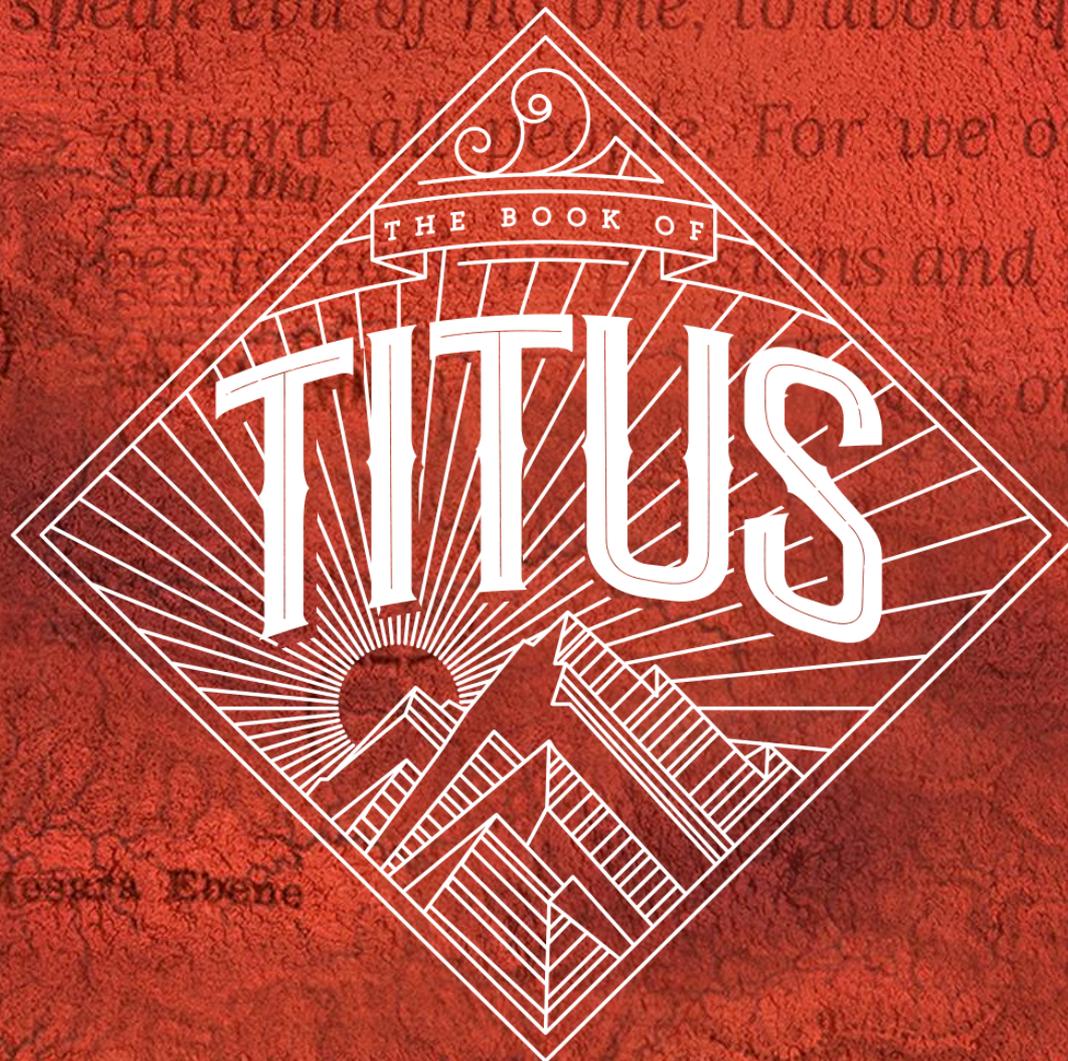
To Change the World

The Vision of Grace Point

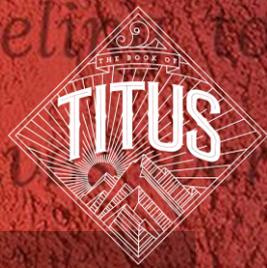
Leading people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.

Our goal is to create environments that encourage and equip people to pursue

- intimacy with God,
- community with insiders,
- & influence with outsiders.



The Man who Influenced a Nearly Impossible Culture



⁴ To Titus, a true son in our common faith: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Savior.

⁵ For this reason I left you in Crete, that you should set in order the things that are lacking, and appoint elders in every city as I commanded you--



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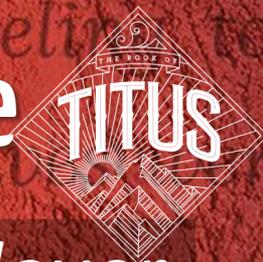


12 One of them, a prophet of their own, said, "Cretans are always liars, evil beasts, lazy gluttons."

13 This testimony is true.

*Just Okay
Is Not Okay*

Good Works-Good Life



Titus 1:8 Elders must be . . . hospitable, a lover of good, self-controlled, upright, holy, and disciplined.

Titus 1:16 They profess to know God, but they deny him by their works. They are detestable, disobedient, unfit for any good work.

Titus 2:3 Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good,

Good Works-Good Life



Titus 2:5 teach the younger women to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled.

Titus 2:7 Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity,

Titus. 2:14 Jesus Christ . . . who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

Good Works-Good Life



Titus 3:1 Remind them to be submissive to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready for every good work,

Titus 3:8 This saying is trustworthy, and I want you to insist on such truths, so that those who have placed their faith in God may be intent on engaging in good works. These things are good and beneficial for all people.



Two Greek Words for Good:

Agathos = Good morally, correct; as opposed to evil. Emphasizing the trueness and rightness of something.

Kalos = Good in respect to our senses. Beautiful as opposed to ugly. Flavorful, fragrant.

Paul uses both words when writing to Titus.

God's Gift to us in Christ



Ephesians 1:7-8, 11

⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, ⁸ which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight

¹¹ In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will,