



## How to be an Influencer in a Nearly Impossible to Influence Culture

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## 1 John 3:9

*No one born of God makes a practice of sinning, for God's seed abides in him; and he cannot keep on sinning, because he has been born of God.*

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## Titus 2:11-12

*For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, <sup>12</sup> training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age,*

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## Titus 3:4-15

*4 But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared,*

*5 he saved us-- not by works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy-- through the washing of regeneration and renewal by the Holy Spirit.*

*6 whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior,*

*7 that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.*

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<sup>8</sup> This saying is trustworthy, and I want you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to devote themselves to good works. These things are excellent and profitable for people.

<sup>9</sup> But avoid foolish disputes, genealogies, contentions, and strivings about the law;  
for they are unprofitable and useless.

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# FINAL MINISTRY INSTRUCTIONS



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- 1. This is written to church leaders.*
- 2. This is focused on local churches.*
- 3. The problem is promotion of division.*
- 4. Divisiveness is one of three reasons for removal from fellowship (false teaching & unrepentant sin).*

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*12 When I send Artemas to you, or Tychicus, be diligent to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there.*

*13 Send Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey with haste, that they may lack nothing.*



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*14 And let our people also learn to maintain good works, to meet urgent needs, that they may not be unfruitful.*

*15 All who are with me greet you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.*

# CONTINUING THE DISCUSSION



*Was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?*

*Feel free to continue the conversation in the comments on the Face Book live feed.*

*Remember: Good Friday @ 7PM*

*Be prepared for communion together*