**Titus Lesson Outline**

INTRODUCTION

1. Date of the pastoral epistles (style, vocabulary, purpose, amanuensis).

2. Pauline cycle: find influential individuals, make disciples of households, appoint elders. Acts 14:21-23

3. Crete: Young household church, undisciplined population (cp. S.E. Portland).

4. Theology: Authority = God, Messiah, apostles, co-workers, appointed elders.

LESSON 1. **Christian ministry in an undisciplined society.**

1. Ministry message: everlasting life. 1:1-4

2. Ministry task: bring order by appointing elders (overseers and deacons). 1:5

3. Ministry qualifications: character and doctrine. 1:6-9

4. Ministry challenge: an undisciplined population. 1:10-16

LESSON 2. **Christian presence in an undisciplined society.**

1. Christian behavior in an undisciplined society. 2:1-10

2. Christian faith in an undisciplined society. 2:11-14

3. Christian ministry in an undisciplined society. 2:15

LESSON 3. **Christian identity in an undisciplined society.**

1. Our values. 3:1-2

2. Our past. 3:3

3. Our conversion. 3:4-7

4. Our purpose. 3:8

5. Our distractions. 3:9-11, 14

6. Our plans. 3:12-15

DISCUSSION QUERIES

1. What did you learn from this passage?

2. Who could we implement these instructions?

3. In what ways does each of us have to improve?