

## Titus Bible Study: Lesson 4

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Titus 1:9-16 Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers. 10 For there are many unruly and vain talkers and deceivers, specially they of the circumcision: 11 Whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for filthy lucre's sake. 12 One of themselves, *even* a prophet of their own, said, The Cretians *are* always liars, evil beasts, slow bellies. 13 This witness is true. Wherefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith; 14 Not giving heed to Jewish fables, and commandments of men, that turn from the truth. 15 Unto the pure all things *are* pure: but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving *is* nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled. 16 They profess that they know God; but in works they deny *him*, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.

### I. Faithful Word teaching will reveal false teachers

- A. Unruly: cannot be subjected to control, disobedient
- B. Vain Talkers: one who utters empty senseless things
- C. Deceivers: a mind deceiver, a seducer
- D. Subvert whole houses: to overthrow, overturn, destroy
- E. Teach: to hold discourse with others in order to instruct them, deliver didactic discourses
- F. Filthy lucre: gain, advantage

### II. What kind of people Titus was dealing with was known by others who were worldly

- A. Always liars: would not keep word
- B. Evil beast: man acting like an animal
- C. Slow bellies: From their nature as from birth

### III. Action to be done to these people

- A. Mouths : 1) to bridle or stop up the mouth 2) metaph. to stop the mouth, reduce to silence

### B. Rebuke:

- 1) generally with a suggestion of shame of the person convicted
- 2) by conviction to bring to the light, to expose

### C. Do not listen to fables: an invention, a falsehood

### IV. Beware of these people

- A. They profess knowing God but actions say otherwise
- B. They are abominable and disobedient.