

A SMALL GROUP STUDY

TITUS & PHILEMON

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ABOUT DRIVETIME DEVOTIONS SMALL GROUP STUDIES

Welcome to this special Drivetime Devotions, small group study. This 4-week study is designed so that you can enjoy Drivetime Devotions as a podcast throughout the week and then talk about it with your small group. This will allow for more time in your small group for discussion, application, and fellowship.

The purpose of Drivetime Devotions is to help you know God's Word and put it into practice. It's usually better to study small sections of God's Word each day instead of a larger section once a week. Studying the Bible is like eating—you'll be healthier if you eat small amounts each day rather than one big meal a week! Episodes are designed to be listened to once per day, five days a week. In the event you miss a day or two, you can still stay on schedule.

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In Drivetime Devotions, Pastor Tom Holladay teaches God's Word and helps you put it into practice. With over 30 million downloads, Drivetime Devotions has built a reputation for changing lives and helping people grow closer to God. You can access this podcast study on TITUS & PHILEMON by downloading the DrivetimeDevotions app for your phone or by going to DrivetimeDevotions.com.

HOW TO USE THIS INTERACTIVE STUDY GUIDE

This study guide is designed to be used as a downloaded file on your tablet or phone. You do not need to print it out unless you want to.

A FEW TIPS BEFORE YOU DIG IN



LISTEN

Prepare yourself before each study by listening to each week's five daily podcast episodes (one per day).



CHECKING IN

Open each meeting with a time for everyone to check in on each other's progress with the podcast. Accountability is a key to success in this study!



KEY VERSE

Each week you will find a key verse (or verses) from the chapter you are studying. You may want to memorize this verse together as a group.



DISCOVERY QUESTIONS

These are questions for group discussion. Please don't feel pressured to discuss every single question. The material in this study is meant to be your servant, not your master. Therefore there is no reason to rush through your discussions. Give everyone ample time to share their thoughts.

Some questions will reference the verses from which they are taken. Many groups will want to have someone read those verses accompanying the question. There is something powerful about hearing the Bible read aloud together as a group.



LIVING ON PURPOSE

This section helps you encourage each other in balancing God's five purposes of evangelism, discipleship, fellowship, ministry, and worship. Each week, there will be a prayer, practical action, or personal assignment that focuses on one of these purposes.



PRAYING TOGETHER

At the end of each session you will find suggestions for your group prayer time. Praying together is one of the greatest privileges of small group life. Please don't take it for granted.

Get ready for God to do incredible things in your life as you begin the adventure of learning more deeply about the most exciting message in the world: the truth about God!

A FEW TIPS BEFORE YOU DIG IN



TELL A FRIEND

As you go through each session, the Holy Spirit may bring to mind different people in your life. You may even want to write their names down beside a point, phrase, or verse in the margins. Take the opportunity to share God's Word in a friend's life during the week.

WEEK ONE: TITUS & PHILEMON Chapter 1



LISTEN

Use this space below to type any notes or thoughts you may have had while listening:

WEEK ONE



CHECKING IN

1. What is a favorite hobby or activity that you enjoy in your free time to help us get to know you better?
2. When you think about someone who has had a strong spiritual impact on your life, what is one character trait that stands out about them?



KEY VERSE

"Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ for the faith of God's elect and the knowledge of the truth that leads to godliness--"

Titus 1:1 (NIV)



DISCOVERY QUESTIONS

1. How do you personally cultivate a deep sense of trust in God during times of uncertainty, and how can we encourage each other to rest in the hope of eternal life? *Titus 1:1-4*
2. In what areas of your life do you find it most challenging to maintain self-control and discipline, and how can we help one another pursue these qualities? *Titus 1:5-8*

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3. How do you practically handle situations where you feel pressured to compromise your beliefs, and how can we support each other in holding firmly to the truth? *Titus 1:9-11*
4. When have you had to lovingly confront someone about a destructive habit, and how can we learn from each other to do this with both grace and firmness? *Titus 1:12-14*
5. What specific habits help you keep your mind and conscience focused on what is pure, and how can we encourage one another when our thoughts begin to drift? *Titus 1:15*
6. In what situations do you struggle most to make your daily actions align with the faith you profess, and how can we hold each other accountable to authentic living? *Titus 1:16*



LIVING ON PURPOSE

WORSHIP

Identify one area of your life where your actions don't match your words, and ask God to help you realign your daily habits so that your life becomes an act of genuine worship.



PRAYING TOGETHER

Pray together that God would purify our minds and consciences, helping us to live out our faith authentically so that our lives worship Him in both word and deed.

WEEK ONE



TELL A FRIEND

Look back through the study guide above and highlight a point, phrase, or verse that you would like to share with somebody this week.

WEEK TWO: TITUS & PHILEMON Chapter 2



LISTEN

Use this space below to type any notes or thoughts you may have had while listening:

WEEK TWO



CHECKING IN

1. How did you do with aligning your daily actions with your professed faith this past week?
2. What is the best piece of advice you've ever received from someone older than you?



KEY VERSE

"so that in every way they will make the teaching about God our Savior attractive."

Titus 2:10 (NIV)



DISCOVERY QUESTIONS

1. How has your understanding of sound doctrine practically changed the way you make daily decisions, and how can we encourage each other to live out these truths? *Titus 2:1-2*
2. How do you actively seek out and learn from the experiences of older or younger believers, and how can we better mentor and encourage one another in this group? *Titus 2:3-6*

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3. In what specific areas of your life do you feel most challenged to set an example of integrity, and how can we support each other in being models of doing what is good? *Titus 2:7-8*
4. How do you approach difficult or frustrating work situations in a way that makes your faith attractive to others, and how can we pray for your current workplace? *Titus 2:9-10*
5. What worldly passions or daily distractions are you currently struggling to say "no" to, and how can we practically support you in living a self-controlled life? *Titus 2:11-12*
6. How does the hope of Jesus' return motivate you to eagerly do good works in your community, and what is one good work we could pursue together? *Titus 2:13-15*



LIVING ON PURPOSE

EVANGELISM

Think of one person in your life who does not know Christ, and commit to showing them an "attractive faith" this week through an act of unexpected service or kindness.



PRAYING TOGETHER

Pray for the people in your life who don't know Jesus, asking God to help you live such an attractive and self-controlled life that it opens doors to share the gospel with them.

WEEK TWO



TELL A FRIEND

Look back through the study guide above and highlight a point, phrase, or verse that you would like to share with somebody this week.

WEEK THREE: TITUS & PHILEMON Chapter

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LISTEN

Use this space below to type any notes or thoughts you may have had while listening:

WEEK THREE



CHECKING IN

1. Were you able to show an "attractive faith" to someone who does not know Christ this past week, and how did it go?
2. What is the most memorable act of unexpected kindness you have ever received?



KEY VERSE

"He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit."

Titus 3:5 (NIV)



DISCOVERY QUESTIONS

1. In what situations is it most difficult for you to show true humility and gentleness toward people in authority, and how can we encourage each other to respond with grace? *Titus 3:1-2*
2. How does remembering your own past struggles and sins help you extend grace to others, and how can we remind each other of this when we feel easily frustrated with people? *Titus 3:3-4*

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3. When you feel unworthy or weighed down by guilt, how do you practically remind yourself of God's kindness and the renewal of the Holy Spirit? *Titus 3:4-7*
4. What are some specific "good works" you feel God is calling you to devote yourself to right now, and how can we as a group help equip or support you in them? *Titus 3:8*
5. What boundaries help you avoid getting pulled into useless arguments or controversies, and how can we hold each other accountable to focusing on what is profitable? *Titus 3:9-11*
6. When you see a fellow believer with a practical need, what holds you back from helping, and how can our group better support and provide for one another? *Titus 3:12-15*



LIVING ON PURPOSE

DISCIPLESHIP

Identify one area where you have been easily drawn into useless arguments, and choose instead to invest that time this week into a spiritual discipline like reading the Word or mentoring a younger believer.



PRAYING TOGETHER

Pray that the Holy Spirit would renew our minds, helping us to turn away from foolish controversies and instead dedicate ourselves to growing as disciples who do good in our community.

WEEK THREE



TELL A FRIEND

Look back through the study guide above and highlight a point, phrase, or verse that you would like to share with somebody this week.

WEEK FOUR: TITUS & PHILEMON Philemon

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LISTEN

Use this space below to type any notes or thoughts you may have had while listening:

WEEK FOUR



CHECKING IN

1. How did you do with avoiding arguments and investing your time in spiritual growth this past week?
2. When you have to resolve a conflict with someone, are you more likely to face it head-on or try to avoid it?



KEY VERSE

"Your love has given me great joy and encouragement, because you, brother, have refreshed the hearts of the saints."

Philemon 1:7 (NIV)



DISCOVERY QUESTIONS

1. How do you intentionally encourage and applaud the positive traits in the people you are closest to, and how can we be a group that actively refreshes each other's hearts? *Philemon 1:4-7*
2. When have you had to make a difficult appeal or request to a friend, and how can we learn from each other to approach those conversations with humility rather than demands? *Philemon 1:8-10*

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3. How do you practically change your perspective to see a difficult or frustrating person the way God sees them, and how can we encourage each other in this? *Philemon 1:11-16*
4. What personal fears or hurts hold you back from offering complete forgiveness to someone who has wronged you, and how can we support you in the process of forgiving? *Philemon 1:17-18*
5. When you realize you have wronged someone else, what practical steps do you take to repair the relationship, and how can we hold each other accountable to making things right? *Philemon 1:18-19*
6. In the midst of daily struggles, what does it practically look like for someone to refresh your spirit, and how can we practice doing that for one another this week? *Philemon 1:20-25*



LIVING ON PURPOSE

FELLOWSHIP

Reach out to one person with whom you have a strained relationship and take a tangible step to applaud their positive qualities or seek reconciliation to restore fellowship.



PRAYING TOGETHER

Pray for courage to face any broken relationships in our lives, asking God to help us extend the same grace and forgiveness to others that Jesus has extended to us, so we can experience true fellowship.

WEEK FOUR



TELL A FRIEND

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