

The background of the image is the interior of a stone dome, likely a church or a historical building. The walls are made of large, weathered stone blocks. There are several arches visible, including a large central one and smaller ones on the sides. A small, square window is visible on the left side. The lighting is warm and somewhat dim, creating a sense of depth and texture in the stone.

Titans

CHRISTIANS IN CRETE

— Setting in Order —

Titus 1:4 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—

Titus 1:6 If a man is blameless, the husband of one wife, having faithful children not accused of dissipation or insubordination.⁷ For a bishop must be blameless, as a steward of God, not self-willed, not quick-tempered, not given to wine, not violent, not greedy for money,⁸ but hospitable, a lover of what is good, sober-minded, just, holy, self-controlled,⁹ holding fast the faithful word as he has been taught, that he may be able, by sound doctrine, both to exhort and convict those who contradict.

1 Thessalonians 5:23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. ²⁴ Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.

Not Violent

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1 Timothy 6:10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. ¹¹ But you, O man of God, flee these things and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness. ¹² Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

Not Greedy

1 Corinthians 9:14 Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel.

Hospitable

Titus 1:8 but hospitable, a lover of what is good, sober-minded, just, holy, self-controlled,

Romans 12:13 Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality.

1 Peter 4:9 Use hospitality one to another without grudging.

Hospitable

3 John 9 I wrote to the church, but Diotrephes, who loves to have the preeminence among them, does not receive us. ¹⁰ Therefore, if I come, I will call to mind his deeds which he does, prating against us with malicious words. And not content with that, he himself does not receive the brethren, and forbids those who wish to, putting them out of the church.