

WEEK 3

DISCUSSION GUIDE

THE BOOK OF
T·I·T·U·S

THIS WEEK

BIG IDEA

False teaching confuses people, but God's truth sets us free.

BIBLE

Titus 1:10-16

ABOUT THIS WEEK

Titus has to deal with people who were saying things about God that weren't true. Paul reminds us that what we believe and how we live should match up-and that we need to know the truth of God's Word.

Before the Video:

- **Welcome everyone to the group:** Briefly recap what we're talking about
 - Who was here last week? What do we remember about the book of Titus?
 - What's one thing that you learned about the importance of Godly leadership last week?
- **Ask:** Have you ever had a to-do list that was so long you felt like you couldn't finish it? How did that make you feel?
- Why do you think some people believe being a Christian is all about following rules?
- **Say Something Like:** Today we're going to talk about how to spot lies about God and why knowing the truth about Jesus matters in how we live every day.
- **Read Together:** Titus 1:10-16

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- **WATCH THE VIDEO:** Session 3 – Titus 1:10-16
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After the Video:

- **Say something like:** This portion of Titus is about Titus' responsibility to deal with and get rid of those who are spreading false teachings that go against Jesus.
 - **Ask:** What does it mean to guard your heart and guard your mind?
 - What are some examples of false teachers in today's world? To help you, where are the places, and who are the people who are trying to teach you a way to live other than what God commands?
 - Why is it so easy for us to be convinced by of another way of life other than what Jesus teaches us?
 - Chip gives us 3 boundaries to spot false teaching. It's important to answer these questions for ourselves before we let other people answer them for us. So let's discuss these together:
 - Who is Jesus?
 - How do we get to have a relationship with God?
 - What is the ultimate authority in your life? Is it the Bible?
 - In verse 16, what does Paul point to as evidence that reveals false teaching/teachers?
 - How can we point others who believe or teach false doctrine to truth?
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Closing Thoughts:

A lot of false teaching starts out small and sneaky, but it can lead to big problems. That's why it's so important for every Christian to really know and trust what the Bible says. Some people wrongly teach that we have to earn God's love by doing good things—but the Bible tells us we are saved only because of God's grace, not because we're perfect. We need to be careful not to believe lies that take the focus off of Jesus and what He did for us on the cross. Let's be people who stand up for the truth and help others see how amazing God's grace really is.

If you haven't already, pass out the Book of Titus bookmarks to every student. Encourage them to put it in their Bibles and remind them to bring their Bibles with them every week of the Summer. If someone in your group doesn't have a Bible, talk to your campus youth pastor about getting them one.