

Hope-filled Word of God Our Savior

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Translation:

Paul, slave of God, and apostle of Jesus Christ for¹ the faith of those selected by God, and for¹ the full knowledge of the truth which is for¹ reverence, ² on the basis of the hope of life eternal, which the unlying God promised before times eternal; ³ but He made His word apparent in His own seasons, in the proclamation with which I myself was entrusted, by order of our Savior God;... (Titus 1:1-3, Pastor Phillips' *ad hoc* translation)

Introduction

I. Introduction: the **Foundation of Sound Doctrine** (1:1-4)

A. **How It Grippled Paul** (1:1-3)

1. **Seen** in his very **identity** (v. 1a)

2. **Seen** in his **mission** (1:1b-3)

a. Its threefold **goal** (v. 1b)

b. Its **basis** (vv. 2-3)

i. Overview: God's **three acts**

(1) "...**promised** before times eternal; ³ but..."

(2) "...He **made His word apparent** in His own seasons..."

(3) "...in the *proclamation* with which I myself was **entrusted**, by order of our Savior God"

ii. Close-up: the **basis**...

(1) **Identified** (v. 2a)

(2) **Assured** (vv. 2b)

(a) By the **nature** of God

(b) By the **promise** of God

(3) **Communicated** (v.3)

(a) In what _____

(i) **First:** "[the unlying God] made ...apparent"

Romans 3:11-12

Romans 8:7

Ephesians 4:18

2 Tim. 1:9b-10

(ii) **Second:** "He made His word apparent"

(b) At what _____

(i) What Paul knows about God from Daniel

2:21

¹Or "in accord with."

4:17b

4:25b, 32b (same)

- (ii) How this applies
Galatians 4:4
- (c) By what _____
 - (i) Its nature: “proclamation”

1 Corinthians 1:17–24

Titus 3:4–7

Titus 2:13

- (ii) Its **authority**:
 - (A) A trust

1 Corinthians 9:17

Galatians 2:7

1 Timothy 1:11

- (B) By command

- 3. What we learn
 - a. Summarized

- b. Applied