

**TAKING CHARGE**  
**Sermon Series: “Titus—Right Living Through Truth”**  
**Titus Chapter 1**  
**November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
**Frank Mack**  
**Family Life Christian Church**

**1** Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ to further the faith of God’s elect and their knowledge of the truth that leads to godliness— <sup>2</sup>in the hope of eternal life, which God, who does not lie, promised before the beginning of time, <sup>3</sup>and which now at his appointed season he has brought to light through the preaching entrusted to me by the command of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup>To Titus, my true son in our common faith: Grace and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Savior. <sup>5</sup>The reason I left you in Crete was that you might put in order what was left unfinished and appoint<sup>Ⓜ</sup> elders in every town, as I directed you. <sup>6</sup>An elder must be blameless, faithful to his wife, a man whose children believe<sup>Ⓜ</sup> and are not open to the charge of being wild and disobedient. <sup>7</sup>Since an overseer manages God’s household, he must be blameless—not overbearing, not quick-tempered, not given to drunkenness, not violent, not pursuing dishonest gain. <sup>8</sup>Rather, he must be hospitable, one who loves what is good, who is self-controlled, upright, holy and disciplined. <sup>9</sup>He must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it. <sup>10</sup>For there are many rebellious people, full of meaningless talk and deception, especially those of the circumcision group. <sup>11</sup>They must be silenced, because they are disrupting whole households by teaching things they ought not to

teach—and that for the sake of dishonest gain. <sup>12</sup>One of Crete’s own prophets has said it: “Cretans are always liars, evil brutes, lazy gluttons.”<sup>Ⓜ</sup> <sup>13</sup>This saying is true. Therefore rebuke them sharply, so that they will be sound in the faith <sup>14</sup>and will pay no attention to Jewish myths or to the merely human commands of those who reject the truth. <sup>15</sup>To the pure, all things are pure, but to those who are corrupted and do not believe, nothing is pure. In fact, both their minds and consciences are corrupted.<sup>16</sup> They claim to know God, but by their actions they deny him. They are detestable, disobedient and unfit for doing anything good.

**This Weeks Faith Challenge**

- **I will fight for what is right and true this week, even if it cost me something.**

**One More Thing: What was one thing you believe the Holy Spirit revealed to you this morning?**

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