

# SERMON STUDY GUIDE

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## Dealing with Dissenters

**Sermon Text:** Titus 1:10-16

**Sermon Outline:**

1. The False Teaching in Crete (v.10-12)
2. Rebuke and Repentance (v. 13-14)
3. What It Means to Know God (v. 15-16)

**Questions:**

1. Why do you think Paul is so strong in his language in this passage? Do you think he is being unloving to the Cretan churches?
2. What was the false teaching being communicated among the Cretan churches, and why was it such a big deal?
3. What does it mean to be “sound in the faith” (v. 13)?
4. Why can’t Christians just focus on love, and not care all that much about doctrine?
5. How can a Christian measure his or her “spiritual hygiene”?
6. Have you experienced a godly rebuke from a loving person who said words to you that you needed to hear? What was it like? How did it change you?