

# *the* TAKE HOME 11.06.16

## Today's Scripture Passage: Titus 3:9-15

<sup>9</sup> But avoid foolish controversies and genealogies and arguments and quarrels about the law, because these are unprofitable and useless.

<sup>10</sup> Warn a divisive person once, and then warn them a second time. After that, have nothing to do with them. <sup>11</sup> You may be sure that such people are warped and sinful; they are self-condemned. <sup>12</sup> As soon as I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, because I have decided to winter there. <sup>13</sup> Do everything you can to help Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way and see that they have everything they need. <sup>14</sup> Our people must learn to devote themselves to doing what is good, in order to provide for urgent needs and not live unproductive lives. <sup>15</sup> Everyone with me sends you greetings. Greet those who love us in the faith.

Grace be with you all.

## Questions:

1. What are some examples in the contemporary church of foolish debates, arguments about the law, genealogies and contentions to be avoided?
2. What does "reject a divisive man" look like in the present day church?
3. How can we maintain both unity and diversity in the life of the church? Why is that important?
4. In light of this passage what would you say (and how would you say it) to a Christian who declined to serve in any capacity on the basis of being too busy?

## Prayer:

1. Pray for our Search Team.
2. Pray for the church finances.
3. Pray for our nation as they go to the polls this week and in the aftermath of the election.
4. Pray for our persecuted brothers and sisters around the world.