



## “Spiritual Opportunity”

What Healthy Churches Do  
Titus 3:12-15

### Healthy churches:

#### I. Encourage – “be diligent to come unto me” (v. 12)

Encouragement through:

- A. **Strategy** – “When I shall send”
- B. **Substitution** – “Artemas unto thee, or Tychicus”
- C. **Stillness** - “I have determined there to winter”

#### II. Enable – “learn to maintain good works” (vs. 13-14)

Enabling our:

- A. **Friends** - “Bring Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey”
- B. **Funds** – “that nothing be wanting unto them”
- C. **Fruit** – “that they be not unfruitful”

#### III. Enjoy – “Greet them” (v. 15)

Enjoyment of the:

- A. **Leaders** – “All that are with me salute you”
- B. **Lovers** – “that love us in the faith”
- C. **Lord** – “Grace be with you all”

### Sentence Sermon

*Healthy churches have a deep love and gratitude to Christ and desire to equip and empower the people He brings them.*

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### Additional Verses

- **III John 1:6-8**
- **Ephesians 4:28**
- **I Corinthians 3:5-8**
- **I Peter 5:1-5**

### Apollos

- **Acts 18:24; 19:1; I Corinthians 1:12; 3:4-6, 22; 4:6; 16:12**
- **II Corinthians 12:9**
- **Mark 9:35**
- **Hebrews 13:17**
- **Philippians 2:12-13**

### Tychicus

- **Acts 20:4; Ephesians 6:21; Colossians 4:7; II Timothy 4:12**

### Questions to Ponder

1. What are the key words or phrases in this passage?
2. Who are the central characters of the passage?
3. Why do you suppose Paul determined to winter in Nicopolis?
4. What opportunities for ministry are available during the cold days of winter?
5. What can we assume about the sending of Artemas and Tychicus?
6. Why do you think Paul mentioned that Zenas was a lawyer?
7. Why should the Cretan church support Apollos' journey?
8. According to verse 14, what should church leaders teach their people?
9. Why is it significant for Paul to communicate a greeting from his team?
10. What does the expression of “grace be with you all” mean practically?