**Titus 1:-4** 

- The opening of the letter to Titus is different from the other Pauline epistles except for Romans.
- In Paul's other letters, he opens by identifying himself and in most cases affirming his apostleship. He then proceeds to mention his intended audience.

- However, in Romans and Titus, Paul expands his opening statement to include the purpose for which he is writing.
- In the case of Romans, Paul says that his letter is being written in order "to bring about the obedience of faith."
- Today, let us look at his purpose for writing Titus.

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#### CONVICTION

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#### • EDUCATION

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- REVELATION

- Conviction
- Education
- Sanctification
- Salvation
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- Revelation
- If these are the purposes then all that he writes about is important in helping them fulfill these purposes!