



The Footsteps of Paul

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The Footsteps of Paul: Crete

A Bible Study at St. John Lutheran Church

Crete

The largest Greek Island

The Palace of Knossos

Ancient Minoan Civilization

300 Sunny Days per Year

30 Million Olive Trees

The birthplace of Zeus (mythology)

Deuteronomy 2:23 As for the Avvim, who lived in villages as far as Gaza, the Caphtorim, who came from Caphtor, destroyed them and settled in their place.

Amos 9:7 "Are you not like the Cushites to me, O people of Israel?" declares the LORD. "Did I not bring up Israel from the land of Egypt, and the Philistines from Caphtor and the Syrians from Kir?"



Did Paul ever visit Crete?

Who serves as a pastor on Crete?

Acts 2:8-12

What has just happened in Acts 2?

What does this tell us about the people of Crete?

Acts 27:7-15

What is happening in the life of Paul?

Did Paul actually disembark in Crete?

Acts 27:21-22 Since they had been without food for a long time, Paul stood up among them and said, "Men, you should have listened to me and not have set sail from Crete and incurred this injury and loss. Yet now I urge you to take heart, for there will be no loss of life among you, but only of the ship."

Titus 1:1-5

To what other letter of Paul is Titus similar?

What is the Gospel according to Paul's introduction?

Who is Titus?

Where is Paul as he writes this Epistle? Where is Titus?

Does this text suggest a previous visit of Paul to Crete?

Is everything about Paul's life and missionary endeavors included in Acts?

Titus 1:12-14

How does Paul characterize some of the first-century troublemakers in Crete?

To what philosopher does he refer?

"It is almost impossible to find personal conduct more treacherous or public policy more unjust than in Crete." – Polybius (2nd Century BC)

"Moral principles are so divergent that the Cretans consider highway robbery honorable." – Cisero (1st Century BC)