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No one can deny that the letter to Titus is about ethics and morality. »Good deeds« are mentioned several times, virtue and vice catalogues describe good and bad ways of living, and a household code addresses the different groups in the community. The moral of the letter, however, has been deemed highly problematic because of issues pertaining to gender and the social position of women and slaves, the hierarchy of the leadership in the congregation, and the believer's attitude with respect to society and government. As a result, the letter's ethics have either been heavily criticized, ignored or neglected in scholarship. The present volume explores the ethics in Titus with new methodologies and from different perspectives, including a variety of hermeneutical frames of reading from scholars in different traditions and denominations.

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