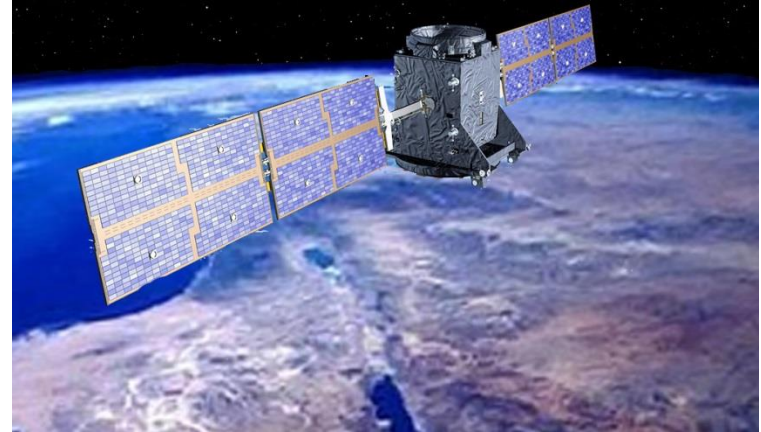


# Biblical Perspective



## Our Higher Calling

Titus and Philemon

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As followers of Jesus, we have been called to a higher calling that often contradicts the expectations of culture. Forgiveness, self-sacrifice, and a pure heart are to be the norm for those who follow the One whose ways led Him to the cross of Calvary. The letters to Titus and Philemon challenge and instruct two men, devoted to Jesus, to resist their normal instincts and do the difficult but right thing. It would present them with huge challenges. But in both cases, it was their higher calling.

### **Titus**

**Theme:**

**Purpose:**

**Historical Background:**

**Lessons/ Doctrine:**

### **Philemon**

**Theme:**

**Purpose:**

**Historical Background:**

**Lessons/ Challenges:**

Rebuke (Titus 1:13): when has the rebuke of another follower of Christ been of great value to you?  
2:7 "In everything set them an example by doing what is good." How have spiritual leaders impacted you by their godly example?  
Transforming grace teaches us how to live to honor God. How has His transforming grace been shaping your life recently?