

ZEALOUS FOR GOOD WORKS

(09/04/16; Titus 2:1-15; Steve Thiel; Christ Proclamation Church)

Sermon Theme → The gospel of grace not only brings salvation to everyone who believes, whether young or old, male or female, but it also empowers them to embrace their gender and identity and be zealous for good works.

- I. GENDER AND GOOD WORKS – (2:1-8)**
 - A. Godliness in Older Men – (2:1-2)
 - B. Godliness in Older Women – (2:3)
 - C. Godliness in Younger Women – (2:4-5)
 - D. Godliness in Younger Men – (2:6)
 - E. Godliness in Titus – (2:7-8)

- II. BONDSERVANTS AND GOOD WORKS – (2:9-10)**
 - A. Actions and Attitudes of Grace – (2:9-10a)
 - B. Adorning the Gospel of Grace – (2:10b)

- III. REASON FOR GOOD WORKS – (2:11-15)**
 - A. God’s Grace for Salvation – (2:11)
 - B. God’s Grace for Sanctification – (2:12, 14)
 - C. God’s Grace for Glorification – (2:13)

TITUS OVERVIEW

(Summary of Titus; Summer 2016; Christ Proclamation Church; Steve Thiel)

Background of Titus (Who wrote it, when, where, and to whom?)

The Apostle Paul wrote (1:1) to Titus (1:4), his true child in the faith, after house arrest in Rome (60-62 A.D.) but before final imprisonment and execution (68 A.D.).

Occasion of Titus (What prompted Paul to write this letter?)

False teachers are the particular occasion for this letter. Therefore, Paul left Titus in Crete and charged him to confront the false teachers by establishing godly leaders, silencing error, and instructing believers in the gospel as the source of godliness.

Purpose of Titus (What did Paul hope to accomplish?)

Paul’s desire is to silence ungodly false teachers (1:10-11) whose lives deny their profession (1:16) and appoint godly leaders (1:5-8) who are able to exhort in sound doctrine (2:1-14), refute those who contradict (1:10-16) and protect the flock of God by faithfully preaching a gospel which accords with good works (2:14; 3:1, 8, 14).

Theme of Titus (What is the letter about?)

The gospel of grace must be protected by qualified men who are willing and able to confront those who profess to know God but deny Him by their works and exhort believers in sound doctrine, which always leads to godly living and good works.

Outline of Titus

- I. Introduction (1:1-4)**
- II. Exhortation to Appoint Qualified Leaders (1:5-16)**
 - A. The Need for Qualified Leaders (1:5)
 - B. The Description of Qualified Leaders (1:6-9)
 - C. The Reason to Appoint Qualified Leaders (1:10-16)
 - 1. Reality of False Teachers (1:10)
 - 2. Response to False Teachers (1:11-16)
- III. Exhortation to Teach Sound Doctrine (2:1-3:11)**
 - A. Exhortation to Godliness Inside the Church (2:1-15)
 - 1. Good Works for Each Gender Group (2:1-10)
 - 2. Grounded in the Gospel of Grace (2:11-14)
 - 3. Summary Command (2:15)
 - B. Exhortation to Godliness Outside the Church (3:1-11)
 - 1. Good Works Towards All People (3:1-2)
 - 2. Grounded in the Gospel of Grace (3:3-7)
 - 3. Summary Command (3:8-9)
 - C. Exhortation to Confront False Teachers (3:10)
- IV. Conclusion (3:12-15)**