
Resources

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Titus 2:11-15

[11] For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, [12] training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, [13] waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, [14] who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works. [15] Declare these things; exhort and rebuke with all authority. Let no one disregard you.

Sermon Outline:

1. God's Grace In Justification (11)
2. God's Grace in Sanctification (12)
3. God's Grace in Glorification (13-14)

Or

1. God's Grace in the Courtroom (11)
2. God's Grace in the Schoolroom (12)
3. God's Grace in the Waitingroom (13-14)

Life Group Leader Notes:



Weekly Discussion Guide

This week's sermon was a continuation of the sermon preached on October 24. It covers the second and third points of the text in Titus 2:11-15. God's grace teaches us to say no to sin, and it helps us as we wait for the second appearing of our God and Savior Jesus Christ.

•When was the last time you looked up and longed for the return of Christ? Pastor Scott listed 8 reasons why we should long for Christ's return:

- The dead will be raised
- Death will be defeated
- All that is wrong will be made right
- We will no longer struggle with sin
- We will receive a new home
- We will worship God as we were created to do
- We will know, even as we are known
- We get Jesus, our greatest treasure

Do you find yourself longing for any of these benefits of Christ's return? Are there any that you rarely think about?

•I hope that Christ comes back soon, but only after _____. Do you ever find yourself saying something like that? How did the sermon this week challenge or convict you?

•The grace of God teaches us to say *no* to sin. Do you believe that Christians have the power to say no to sin? Have you seen evidence of this in your life? It might help to read the first half of Romans 6.

•God's grace teaches us to say no to *worldly passions*. Paul was referring to sexual sins. There seems to be a correlation between sexual sin and denying God. Why do you think this is? Have you seen this happen to someone you know? Titus 2:15 says: *Declare these things; exhort and rebuke with all authority. Let no one disregard you.* How can the members of your group mutually challenge each other to be pure for the return of Christ?

•Pastor Scott read a few of Jonathan Edwards' Resolutions. Did any of these inspire or challenge you? Do you need to make any resolution in light of this text?

#17 - Resolved, that I will live so as I wish I had done when I come to die.

#19 - Resolved, never to do anything, which I should be afraid to do, if I expected it would not be above an hour, before I should hear the last trump.

#50 - Resolved, I will act so as I think I shall judge would have been best, and most prudent when I come into the future world.

#52 - I frequently hear persons in old age say how they would live, if they were to live their lives over again: Resolved, that I will live just so as I can think I shall wish I had done, supposing I live to an old age.

