

HOW TO BUILD THE PERFECT CHURCH SERIES, 12
THE COVENANT OF GRACE APPLIED
**“Adorning the Doctrine of God Our Savior Together to Build Christ’s Church:
Or, Using Both Gospel and Law Rightly in the Daily Life of the Church”**
Titus 1:10-2:15, Part 3, Verse 12

The grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, ¹²teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, ¹³looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, ¹⁴who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself *His* own special people, zealous for good works. ¹⁵Speak these things, exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no one despise you. (NKJV)

I. The Context of Problems (1:10-16) and Needs (2:1-10) within the Church for which the Right Understanding and Application of Gospel and Law are Necessary (1:10-2:15)

II. The Gospel (11)

- A. The nature of the Gospel— “the grace of God” (11a)
- B. The work of the Gospel— “bringing salvation” (11b)
- C. The free offer of the Gospel— “appearing to all men” (11c)

III. The Designed Effect of the Gospel and the Law Upon All Who Receive It (12-14)

A. The teaching, molding, nourishing power of grace (12)

1. The goal of grace stated negatively: “grace trains (teaches, molds, nourishes) us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires in the present age” (12a)

2. The goal of grace stated positively: “grace trains (teaches, molds, nourishes) us to live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age (12b)

- B. The Spirit’s influence in the Gospel upon the soul (13)
- C. The peculiarity of the Gospel in relation to all other religions (14a)
- D. The purpose of gospel and law to redeem and purify (14b)

IV. Faithful Ministers of the Gospel—

- A. “speak, exhort, and rebuke with all authority” (15a)
- B. “without fear of disapproval and without regard for approval” (15b)

Grace Welcomes You

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There is One Gospel

There is one Gospel on which I stand

For all eternity

It is my story, my Father's plan

The Son has rescued me

Oh what a Gospel, Oh what a peace

My highest joy and my deepest need

Now and forever He is my light

I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel to which I cling
All else I count as loss
For there, where justice and mercy meet
He saved me on the cross
No more I boast in what I can bring
No more I carry the weight of sin
For He has brought me from death to life
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel where hope is found
The empty tomb still speaks
For death could not keep my Saviour down
He lives and I am free
Now on my Saviour, I fix my eyes
My life is His and His hope is mine!
For He has promised I, too, will rise
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

And in this Gospel the church is one

We do not walk alone

We have His Spirit as we press on

To lead us safely home

And when in glory still I will sing

Of this old story that rescued me

Praise to my Saviour, the King of life

I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

And when in glory still I will sing
Of this old story that rescued me
Praise to my Saviour, the King of life
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

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Psalm 89A

The lovingkindness of the Lord

Forever I will sing.

Your faithfulness to every age

My mouth in song shall bring.

I will proclaim, "Your steadfast love
Forever will endure.
Your faithfulness in heaven high
You will establish sure."

"I've made a covenant with him
Who is *My* chosen one;
To David, who *My* servant is,
What I have sworn be done."

"Your seed I will establish firm,
Forever to endure;
And I through every coming age
Will make your throne secure."

The praises of Your wonders, LORD,
The heavens shall express,
In council of the holy ones
Your faithfulness confess.

For who in heaven with the LORD
Could ever be compared?
Among the ranks of angels great,
Who has His likeness shared?



Jesus, Fount of Joy Eternal

Jesus, fount of joy eternal,
Spring of endless love divine
Deepest well once poured out for us,
Filling empty hearts with life
Come rejoice, be glad forever,
Come rejoice again in Christ
Jesus, fount of joy eternal,
Precious savior, our delight

Long we drank from shallow waters,
Filled but never satisfied
Till when Calv'ry's flood broke open,
Mercy flowed in full supply
Oh what heights of truest pleasure,
Oh what depths of sacrifice
Jesus, fount of joy eternal,
By his blood we're washed as white

Just beyond these restless waters,
There's a land where peace will reign
Sin and sadness there are swallowed,
In a sea of sovereign grace
On those shores we'll sing forever,
Planted by the streams of life
Jesus, fount of joy eternal,
Heaven's treasure our delight

How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

How sweet the Name of Jesus sounds

In a believer's ear!

It soothes his sorrow, heals his wounds,

And drives away his fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole,
And calms the troubled breast;
'Tis manna to the hungry soul,
And to the weary, rest.

Dear Name, the rock on which I build,
My shield and hiding place,
My never failing treasury, filled
With boundless stores of grace!

By Thee, my prayers acceptance gain,
Although with sin defiled;
Satan accuses me in vain,
And I am owned a child.

Jesus, my Shepherd, Brother, Friend,
My Prophet, Priest, and King,
My Lord, my life, my way, My end,
Accept the praise I bring.

Weak is the effort of my heart,
And cold my warmest thought;
But when I see Thee as Thou art,
I'll praise Thee as I ought.

'Til then I would Thy love proclaim
With every fleeting breath,
And may the music of Thy name
Refresh my soul in death.

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How Long (Love Constraining To Obedience)

To see the law by Christ fulfilled,
To hear His pardoning voice
Can change a slave into a child
And duty into choice
No strength of nature can suffice
To serve the Lord aright
And what she has she misapplies
For want of clearer light

How long, how long beneath the law I lay
How long, how long I struggled to obey

Then To abstain from outward sin
Was more than I could do
Now if I feel its power within,
I feel I hate it too
Then all my servile works were done,
A righteousness to raise
Now, freely chosen in the Son,
I freely choose His ways
Freely chosen in the Son,
I freely choose His ways

How long, how long beneath the law I lay
How long, how long I struggled to obey
How long, how long in bondage and distress
How long, how long I tried without success

To see the law by Christ fulfilled,
To hear His pardoning voice
Can change a slave into a child
And duty into choice

How long, how long beneath the law I lay
How long, how long I struggled to obey
How long, how long in bondage and distress
How long, how long I tried without success
I tried without success, I tried without success

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O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer
Greatest treasure of my longing soul
My God, like You there is no other
True delight is found in You alone

Your grace, a well too deep to fathom
Your love exceeds the heavens' reach
Your truth, a fount of perfect wisdom
My highest good and my unending need

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer
Strong defender of my weary heart
My sword to fight the cruel deceiver
And my shield against his hateful darts
My song when enemies surround me
My hope when tides of sorrow rise
My joy when trials are abounding
Your faithfulness, my refuge in the night

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer
Gracious Savior of my ruined life
My guilt and cross laid on Your shoulders
In my place You suffered bled and died
You rose, the grave and death are conquered
You broke my bonds of sin and shame

You rose, the grave and death are conquered
You broke my bonds of sin and shame

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer
May all my days bring glory to Your Name

May all my days bring glory to Your Name

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