

Titus 2:8-14

**God's special people, set apart  
for good works**

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# HIS OWN SPECIAL PEOPLE

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- Christians are ordinary sinners, but God made us into his special people

# *How do I live now that God has saved me?*

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- ZEAL = Passion, fire
- GOOD WORKS = Passing God's goodness on to others

# SERVANTS WHO ADORN THE DOCTRINE OF GOD (vv9-10)

*Exhort **bondservants** to be obedient to their own masters, to be well pleasing in all things, not answering back, not pilfering, but showing all good fidelity, that they may **adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour** in all things. (vv9-10)*

- *Bondservants = under a 'master'*
- *Adorn = to 'highlight' beauty*

# SERVANTS WHO ADORN THE DOCTRINE OF GOD

*Exhort bondservants to be **obedient** to their own masters, to be well pleasing in all things, **not answering back, not pilfering**, (vv9-10)*

- Obedient
- Respectful
- Honest

Make them happy to be dealing with a Christian!

# TAUGHT BY GRACE (vv11-12)

*For the **GRACE** of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, **TEACHING US** that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age. (vv11-12)*

- GRACE = God's undeserved kindness

# Grace teaches you to DENY

... *Teaching us that, DENYING ungodliness and worldly lusts... (v12)*

- 'Deny' = to turn away from
  - Everything that is against God
  - Sinful desires
- Repentance in action!

# Grace teaches you to LIVE

... *Teaching us that ... we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age (v12)*

- 'Live' = Actively seeking to be
  - self-controlled and upright
  - like God
  - NOW!
- Faith in action!



# FOCUSSED ON CHRIST (vv13-14)

- *...looking for the blessed hope and **glorious appearing** of our great God and Saviour Jesus Christ, <sup>14</sup> who 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 (vv13-14)*
- Jesus will come again.

- *For the Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and then He will reward each according to his works. Matthew 16:27*

- <sup>10</sup> But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.<sup>[a]</sup> <sup>11</sup> Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner *of persons* ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness, <sup>12</sup> **looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God**, because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat? <sup>13</sup> Nevertheless we, according to His promise, **look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.**

# The glorious appearing

- We struggle, feeling like the world is not changing..... it is not GOING ANYWHERE!
- BUT Jesus Christ will come again to
  - Judge the world
  - Renew the heavens and the earth

# CONCLUSION

*...who 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. V14*

- Redeem = 'buy back'
- God paid a lot for you.
- He set you apart for good works – HIS WORK!

