

KEEPING UP BETWEEN APPEARANCES

Titus 2:9-15

A. Myers, December 5, 2021

I. Slaves must _____ the _____ of God. Titus 2:9-10
Col. 3:22-4:1

II. In the _____, Grace _____ Titus 2:11

A. God's _____ is for _____ Exodus 33:18-19
Exodus 20:1-2
John 1:17

B. God's _____ is for _____ I Tim. 1:12-16
I Tim. 4:10
Acts 4:12
John 14:6

III. In the _____, Grace _____ us how to live Titus 2:12

A. Grace teaches us to _____ and _____ I John 2:15-16
Luke 24:44-47
II Tim. 3:14-17

B. Grace teaches us to live _____ - _____, _____, and _____ lives

IV. Grace points us to the _____, the _____ of _____ Titus 2:13-14

V. We must not _____ Titus 2:15
II Timothy 3:12

TEXT

Titus 2:9-15 *ESV*

⁹ Bondservants are to be submissive to their own masters in every-thing; they are to be well-pleasing, not argumentative, ¹⁰ not pilfering, but showing all good faith, so that in everything they may adorn the doctrine of God our Savior.

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.

My Application:

Journey Group Questions

1. Talk about the saying "Yes, there's grace; but we should live like there isn't any."
 - a. How do you see this attitude in your own heart and walk with God?
 - b. How does Titus 2:11-14 counteract this attitude? How do these verses reframe our perspective?
2. It's often uncomfortable for us to talk about the Bible verses that address slavery. Why is this? How do these verses (2:9-10) help us grow as disciples? How do these verses help us see the radical importance of Christ's first & second comings?
3. In what ways does Grace "teach" us? How does grace shape and change how we interact with ourselves? With others? With God?
4. How can you and I look forward to Christ's coming again?
5. How can we as a church create an environment and atmosphere of grace?