

Gospel-Formed Living

Titus 2:11–15

Main Truth: God's grace does not merely pardon sinners. It makes us Christ's people and trains us to live godly lives while we await his return.

I. Grace reaches people who cannot remake themselves

"The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people."

- A. Our hope rests in God's gracious choice, not our natural goodness or ancestry.
- B. Even the Cretans can become godly: no people or background lies beyond Christ's transforming power.

II. Grace redeems us and makes us Christ's own

"Who gave himself for us to redeem us ... and to purify for himself a people."

- A. Christ's saving work secures both pardon for sin and deliverance from its dominion.
- B. We belong to Christ; our former sins no longer determine who we must become.

III. Grace renews our hearts and reorders our desires.

"Training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions."

- A. The Holy Spirit renews us from within, changing our thoughts, desires, and actions (Titus 3:5–6).
- B. We learn not merely to resist evil but to treasure Christ and become eager for good works.

IV. Grace trains us together through the word and the church

“Declare these things; exhort and rebuke with all authority.”

- A. God forms us through sound teaching, faithful examples, loving correction, and practiced obedience.
- B. We learn to live as forgiven people whose shared life adorns the gospel (Titus 2:1–10).

V. Grace teaches us to live now for the Savior who is coming

“Waiting for our blessed hope ... Jesus Christ.”

- A. Christ’s promised return reorders our priorities in the present age.
- B. We pursue godliness not to purchase salvation, but because we belong to the Savior we await.