Godly Teaching Titus 2:1-15, Pew Bible p. 998 May 19, 2024

I. What Are Christians Supposed to Be Taught to Do (V. 1-10)?

- A. Belief in Jesus must be shown for it to be real.
 - 1. <u>Self-Control</u> when God says no but our heart says yes.
 - 2. <u>Love</u> when God has compassion, but our heart has hate.
 - 3. Respect when God gives honor, but our heart gives rebellion.
- B. Godliness must be learned before it can be shown.
- C. Godliness must be shown before it can be taught.

II. How Are Christians to Do What They Are Taught (V. 11-15)?

- A. Godliness cannot happen outside of personal <u>salvation</u> in Jesus Christ.
- B. Salvation in Jesus Christ cannot happen outside of the sovereign grace of Jesus Christ.
- C. The grace of Jesus Christ BOTH
 - 1. Saves us from judgment.
 - 2. <u>Trains</u> us for godliness.

Group Discussion Questions

- 1. Read Titus 2:1-15.
- 2. How important is it that Christians live godly lives, according to verses 1-10?
- 3. How important is self-control to the Christian life, according to verses 1-10? Why do you think so much emphasis is placed on it?
- 4. How important is love to the Christian life, according to verses 1-10? Why do you think so much emphasis is placed on it?
- 5. How important is respect and respectability to the Christian life, according to verses 1-10? Why do you think so much emphasis is placed on it?
- 6. What does grace have to do with godliness, according to verses 11-12? If grace says that God will love us regardless of what we have done, how can it train sinful people to sin less? Share an example of how God's grace has helped you renounce sin in your life.
- 7. Pray for our church to have strong, godly leadership to strengthen the faith of the disciples of Christ. Come to the church prayer meeting this Wednesday from 6:00–6:30 pm in Worship Center Room 103.



Psalm 127:1-2 (ESV)

¹ Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Unless the LORD watches over the city, the watchman stays awake in vain. ² It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil; for he gives to his beloved sleep.

Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting

 Praying that God would use our Vacation Bible School this year to call many to Himself and that He would protect our volunteers from sin, busyness, and stress as they give so much time to a great, sacred effort.

Pray for Our Church Family Needs:

- PRAY for missions and missionaries:
 Andy & Lindsay M. in Spain; Luke P. in Maricopa, Arizona; Nathan & Becky F. in Indonesia;
 Doug & Cheryl D. in Thailand; Jules S. in Thailand; and Sylvia M. and Andrew M. at ASU West,
 Glendale, Arizona.
- PRAY for all our students: elementary school, middle school, high school, and college. No
 matter whether they are in the classroom, an online setting, or a home school setting, our
 students are forming minds that need to focus on Christ.
- PRAY for family & friends of church members who need salvation or to renew their relationship with Jesus:
 Sharon L. (children & grandchildren); Marge D. (son, Matthew); Rezwana D. (parents);
 Margaret J. (Tom & Bob); Sophia W. (husband); Ida S. (granddaughter & her husband);
 Charity M. (daughter); Kayla P. (nephew, Jordan); Gary & Betty B. (grandchildren & siblings);
 and V. family (Ashley & Jesse); Michelle LaM. (son); and Debbie B. (son-in-law)
- PRAY for families who are grieving the recent loss of loved ones:
 Dick & Peggy T. (nephew); Stan & Lori F. (his mother); Tom & Joy M. (her mother); family of LeRoy H.; and family of Rita H.
- PRAY for those struggling with ongoing health and other issues:
 Leon V. (chemo); Jan B. (health); John & Debbie P. (health); Marge D. (health); Jan O. (health);
 Jacque B. (health); Kathy W. (health); Ken & Darlene R. (health); Sherri O. (surgery recovery);
 Laura M. (health); Susan K. (surgery recovery); April H.-F. (medication); Jacque B. (health);
 Michelle LaM. (health); Matthew M. (employment & housing); Bonnie V. (health concerns);
 Debbie B. (radiation); Randie A. (health); Mimi M. (ongoing health issues); Jeff S. (surgery recovery); Joy M. (surgery recovery); Marjorie R. (health); Kelly J. (secondary surgery); and Ruthie C. (health concern)
- PRAY for others that you are aware of.