

Godly Works
Titus 3:1-15, Pew Bible p. 998
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I. Excellent Service to God is: (V. 1-8)

- A. Submitting to the authorities God has placed.
- B. Active, not lazy.
- C. Avoiding corrupting talk.
- D. Humility toward all people.
- E. Driven by what God has saved you from.
- F. Motivated by eternity.

II. Worthless “Service” is: (V. 9-11)

- A. Arguing and bickering.
- B. Causing division by arguing and bickering.

III. Active Servants of God: (V.12-15)

- A. Take care of each other.
- B. Are devoted to helping those in need.

Group Discussion Questions

1. Read Titus 3:1-15.
2. Why do you think the first thing Paul wanted Titus to remind the believers in Crete of was to be submissive to rulers and authorities?
3. How are you doing not speaking evil of anyone?
4. Knowing that our motivation to do good works for others is grounded in our own personal salvation, how does that change your outlook on doing good to people you'd otherwise never want to bless?
5. Have you ever gotten caught up in a foolish, meaningless, or pointless argument that you knew was going nowhere but you continued to engage anyway? How productive or fruitful was the outcome?
6. It is important for Christians to serve each other well. Has there ever been a time you didn't want to serve another believer because you were at odds with them?
7. Pray for our church to be excellent and active servants of God by avoiding foolish things and embracing an attitude of love and service toward one another. Come to the church prayer meeting this Wednesday from 6:00–6:30 pm in Worship Center Room 103.

Romans 10:8-11 (ESV)

⁸ But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹ because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹ For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.”

Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting

- Praying that God would continue sending non-Christians to our church gatherings and that they would be compelled to call Christ their Lord.

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.; family of Rita H.; and family of Don R.
- PRAY for those struggling with ongoing health and other issues:
Leon V. (chemo); Jan B. (health); Marge D. (health); Kathy W. (health); Michelle LaM. (health); Laura M. (health); Susan K. (surgery recovery); Ken & Darlene R. (health); Jan O. (health); Matthew M. (employment & housing); Sherri O. (surgery recovery); April H.-F. (medication); Randie A. (health); Debbie B. (radiation); Jeff S. (upcoming surgery); Marjorie R. (health); Bonnie V. (upcoming surgery); Joy M. (surgery recovery); Mimi M. (ongoing health issues); Kelly J. (secondary surgery); Ruthie C. (in hospital); Debbie P. (health); Jacque B. (eye issues); and John P. (surgery recovery)
- PRAY for others that you are aware of.