

Series: *Titus: The Gospel for Godly Living*
Lesson: *Gospel-Made Garments*
Text: Titus 2:11–15 (L5)
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INTRODUCTION

The first 10 verses of Titus 2 discuss behavior that matches belief; verses 11-14 demonstrate that such behavior is designed by the gospel. Life, according to Paul in Titus 2, can be summarized by one main objective: *adorn (vv. 2-10) your Savior (vv. 11-14)*. We should strive to make our Savior God compelling and attractive. And this objective should never be minimized and this call should never be disdained (vv. 1, 15).

So, while it is incumbent upon us to develop the behaviors, etc. of Titus 2:2-10 (cf. I Timothy 4:7-8), we are reminded in Titus 2:11-14, that these behaviors are part-and-parcel of what God has already done in our lives through His gospel of grace. They go hand-in-glove with His fuller redemptive plan of which we are now a part through faith. Truly, these godly garments are gospel-made garments.

In this second part of Titus 2, Paul delineates four ways in which God's saving grace overcomes sin and issues us these godly garments. Using the exhortation of Jerry Bridges in *The Discipline of Grace*,²³ we should preach these four aspects of the gospel to ourselves daily in order to be motivated and empowered to put on our godly, gospel-made garments for the glory of God and the evangelism of the world.

GOD SAVES US FROM THE _____ OF SIN (v. 11).

1. *Saving grace is revealed in the Person of* _____.
2. *Saving grace is expressed in the* _____ *from sin.*
3. *Saving grace is available for* _____.

Application:

²³ Bridges, Jerry. *The Discipline of Grace*. Colorado Springs: NavPress, 2006. P. 26.

GOD SAVES US FROM THE _____ OF SIN (v. 12).

1. *Saving grace's lesson plan: the* _____ *aspect*
2. *Saving grace's lesson plan: the* _____ *aspect*

Application:

GOD SAVES US FROM THE _____ OF SIN (vv. 13-14b).

1. *This hope provides* _____ *for believers.*
2. *This hope* _____ *God's saving program.*

Application:

GOD SAVES US FROM THE _____ OF SIN (v. 14).

1. *God's purpose starts with a change of* _____.
2. *God's purpose is* _____.

Application:

CONCLUSION

God's marketing technique to make His saving nature known is through the manifestation of His saving power in the lives of believers. If we miss that, we've missed the gospel, and our professions may ring hollow. To help motivate and enable us to don our godly, gospel-made garments and practice the homework that the gospel has given to us, Paul offers us four rich verses with a four-fold sermon to preach to ourselves—God is a saving God from sin's penalty, power, presence, and purpose. Now, since God has so gloriously adorned you, you should adorn your Savior with your life.