

Series: *Titus: The Gospel for Godly Living*
Lesson: *A Summary: The Gospel & Good Works*
Text: Titus 3:8-15 (L7)
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Colonial Hills
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INTRODUCTION

A review:

- 1:1-4 – *Our Mission Statement*
- 1:5-9 – *The Uncommon Man: A Divine Standard for Pastoral Qualification*
- 1:10-16 – *Dealing with Deceivers*
- 2:1-10 – *Godly Garments*
- 2:11-15 – *Gospel-Made Garments*
- 3:1-8 – *Give Them Graciousness*

In the concluding paragraphs of this little letter to Titus, Paul now summarizes the heart of his message.

THE CHURCH SHOULD _____ SOME THINGS (v. 8).

Notice the progression of thought in verse 8:

- (1) *Gospel* –
- (2) *Teaching* –
- (3) *Salvation* –
- (4) *Good Works* –
- (5) *Evangelism* –

1. *In our teaching, we should affirm the _____.*

2. *In our living, we should affirm _____.*

Application:

THE CHURCH SHOULD _____ SOME THINGS (vv. 9-11).

1. *We should avoid _____ (v. 9).*

2. *We should address _____ people (vv. 10-11).*

Application:

THE CHURCH SHOULD BE ACTIVE WITH _____ (vv. 12-15).

We learn three ways in which we should be actively engaged with one another:

1. _____ (vv. 12-13a)

2. _____ (vv. 13-14)

Notice the progression of ministry growth in verse 14.

- *Education* (head) –
- *Devotion* (heart) –
- *Provision* (hand) –
- *Solution* –

3. _____ (v. 15)

Application:

CONCLUSION

Paul's final statement is, "Grace be with you all." The only way that we will be able to accomplish God's mission, stand steadfast in truth, and live the godly, gospel-made, gracious lifestyle of genuine belief is if God gives us His grace. Let us daily look to the One who was full of "grace and truth" (John 1:14) to shower us with the same so that God's mission in this world will not fail with us. Delve into the gospel and let that grace overflow from your heart into godly living and good deeds toward others. In this way, God's saving ability will be magnified through you, and you will be fruitful in God's mission.