

Sermon Outline

EAGER TO DO WHAT IS GOOD | Geoff Lin

Bible reading: Titus 2:1-15 (Page 1700)

The story so far: Paul has left Titus on Crete to appoint leaders for the fledgling church ... those leaders must hold "hold firmly to the trustworthy message to encourage others by sound doctrine" (1:9) because "knowledge of the truth leads to godliness" (1:1)

1. The kind of church family we are (2:1-10)

i. older men (verse 2)

2 Thess 3:5 May the Lord direct your hearts into God's love and Christ's perseverance.

ii. older women and younger women (verses 3-5)

- older women

- younger women

1 Cor 15:28 When he has done this, then the Son himself will be made subject to him who put everything under him, so that God may be all in all.

iii. young men (verses 6-8)

- young men

- Titus

1 Corinthians 11:1 Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ.

iv. slaves (verses 9-10)

Self control: v2 older men; v3 older women (*not addicted to much wine*); v5 younger women; v6 young men; v10 slaves (*not to talk back' not to steal to show they can be fully trusted*)

2. How we are changed for the better (2:11-14)

Titus 2:11-14

¹¹ For the grace of God has appeared that

offers salvation to all people.

¹² It **teaches** us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age,

¹³ while we wait for the blessed hope - the appearing of the glory of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ, ¹⁴ who gave himself for us to

redeem us from all wickedness and to

purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

- what God does **for us** and **in us**

Recommended Reading: Timothy Lane and Paul David Tripp (2008), *How People Change*

- What God saves us **from** and saves us **for**

Good: v3 *teach what is good*; v5 *pure*; v7 *doing what is good*; v8 *fully trusted*; v14 *eager to do what is good*

3. "Encourage and rebuke" (2:15)