

Living By God's Grace

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LIFE SKILLS TRAINING: PROVIDED BY GRACE TITUS 2:11-15

Using This Study

❶ EXAMINE His Word

What does God SAY? Open your time with prayer. The words God uses to communicate matters, so go back and pay close attention to the details that are emphasized or repeated in the passage.

❷ EXPLORE His Word

What does God MEAN? Asking questions of the text helps surface how the details relate to the message God wants to communicate.

❸ EMBRACE His Word

Why does it MATTER to me? Embrace God by responding to what you discover in His word in faith and obedience.

Introduction:

Children need training, athletes need coaching, and everyone needs mentoring in life skills. Grace is the ultimate personal trainer; grace teaches us how to live.

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① EXAMINE His Word

What does God SAY? Prayerfully note significant details and terms emphasized in the passage.

Read Titus 2:11-15 (NASB)

¹¹ For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men,

¹² instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age,

¹³ looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus,

¹⁴ who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds.

¹⁵ These things speak and exhort and reprove with all authority. Let no one disregard you.

② EXPLORE His Word

What does God MEAN?

1. a. What does grace teach/train Christians to avoid?

b. What should we say “No” to today? (Titus 2:12)

2. a. What qualities does grace teach us to incorporate in our life?

b. What should we say “Yes” to today? (Titus 2:12)

3. How does grace motivate us to live differently? (2:13-14)

4. How would you describe life under grace? Is it dull and joyless or?

5. Is it harder or easier to live a godly life today than it was in Paul's day?

b. What makes the Christian life difficult?

c. What makes it more productive?

③ EMBRACE His Word

Why does this MATTER to me?

Summarize your thoughts on the passage:

Write about what God wants you to KNOW, to FEEL, and to DO...

SERMON NOTES