

GOOD WORKS IN THE CHURCH

(1/28/2024; Life Group; Titus 2:1-15; Steve Thiel; Christ Proclamation Church)

Sermon Theme: The gospel not only brings salvation to everyone who believes, whether young or old, male or female; but it empowers them to embrace who God made them to be, rejoicing in the roles and the responsibilities consistent with their gender and identity. In short, they are people zealous for good works!

I. Reality of Good Works – Read Titus 2:1-10

- A. Read Titus 2:1-10. What observations do you make between the commands given in Titus 2:1-10 and the description of the false teachers in Titus 1:10-16?

- B. What similarities do you notice regarding the various groups of people mentioned? What are some of the differences between older men, older women, younger men, and younger women?

- C. What do you think Paul mean when he writes, “in all respects... be a model of good works”? What are some of the ways that you would like to grow in being a model of good works?

- D. Are you truly thankful for the gender that God has made you be? As embodied men and women, what specific roles and responsibilities are you grateful for?

II. Reason For Good Works – Read Titus 2:11-15

- A. Read Titus 2:11-15. According to verses 11-15, what is the sole motivation for being zealous for good works? Where else have you seen the call to have a zeal for good works in Titus?

- B. What are the different ways that we see God’s heart for His people in these verses?

- C. According to verse 14, what did Jesus accomplish for His people through His death on the cross? What is your reaction to the reality of Christ’s rescue and purification of believers?

- D. What’s one thing that you can do to increase your joy in God? In what ways should your joy in God fuel your diligence to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions?