

COMMUNITY GROUP QUESTIONS

Spring 2025 - Trained By The Gospel (Titus) - "Grace & Good Works"

Monday, Feb. 17 - Sunday, Feb. 23 (Week 3)

In this sermon, Pastor McKinney concludes our series in the Book of Titus, focusing on the significant theme of good works within the Christian life. He emphasizes that good works are the result of salvation, not the reason for it, reinforcing the core message that believers are saved by grace alone through faith in Christ. Pastor Mike highlights the fact that, although good works do not earn salvation, they are an essential aspect of a Christian's response to receiving God's grace, urging the congregation to live a life filled with acts of kindness and service toward others, all done in obedience to God. He goes on to share four crucial truths about good works, warning against distractions that can derail our pursuit within the church community. He encourages believers to be mindful of their energy and focus, avoiding internal disputes that detract from the mission of spreading the gospel and serving those in need. As he concludes, Pastor McKinney invites us to reflect on these truths and consider our personal contributions to the church, particularly in terms of generosity and support for the church's mission. By cultivating a passion for good works, he calls upon the church to be unified in our dedication to serving others and advancing the gospel.

QUESTIONS:

1. Good Works and Salvation:

- How does the sermon explain the relationship between salvation and good works?
- Why is it important to understand that good works are the result of being saved, not the reason for salvation?
- Are there any areas where you might be relying on good works for your sense of salvation? How can you shift your perspective to align with the gospel of grace?

2. Generosity and Good Works:

- How does the sermon connect generosity with the ability of the church to perform good works? Why is this connection important?
- Think about the ways you are currently being generous within the church. What changes can you make to better support the church's mission and the good works it seeks to accomplish?

3. The Four Truths of Good Works:

- Which of the four truths about good works mentioned in the sermon resonated most with you, and why? *(1 - Good works are the result of being saved, not the reason you are saved, 2 - Good works should be what disciples give their lives to, 3 - Good works can be derailed by sideways energy, 4 - The Church must contribute to the good work of the church)*
- Share with the group one area where you feel challenged to grow in your understanding or practice of good works. How can we as a group support you?

