



SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Week of November 6, 2022

Please use these questions to stay connected as a church to meditate on the same sermon preached from God's Word this week. May this be a fruitful time for the building up of our church and for the spread of the gospel.

Sermon Text: Titus 3:1-11

1 Remind them to be submissive to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready for every good work, 2 to speak evil of no one, to avoid quarreling, to be gentle, and to show perfect courtesy toward all people. 3 For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another. 4 But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, 5 he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, 6 whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, 7 so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life. 8 The saying is trustworthy, and I want you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to devote themselves to good works. These things are excellent and profitable for people. 9 But avoid foolish controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels about the law, for they are unprofitable and worthless. 10 As for a person who stirs up division, after warning him once and then twice, have nothing more to do with him, 11 knowing that such a person is warped and sinful; he is self-condemned.

Discussion Questions

1. In your family, your neighborhood, and your workplace, are the people generally 'good' people? How do you know?
2. Is the Gospel *only* about God's love for humanity? Why is it necessary for a clear explanation of man's sin against a holy God to be included in any gospel presentation? How does a correct understanding of man's sin (your sin) make God's love even more amazing?
3. What does it mean to be an heir of God? If Christians truly understood and believed what this means, how do you think it would change the way they live?
4. How is it "loving" to excommunicate a member of the church who rejects Jesus and His gospel? (for additional insight, see Matthew 18:15-20) How would you determine whether a person has rejected Christ? (for additional insight, see Matt.7:15-16; Titus 1:10-16, 3:10-11)