

TITUS 2:11-14 ESV

11 For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, 12 training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, 13 waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, 14 who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

You have received God's grace, and you are saved. As God's saved person, you have the power to be different and live differently. You are no longer under the control of sin but are under the influence of the Holy Spirit. This causes God's people to reject the passion of the world and `Live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in this present age." We treat our brothers and sisters with care, generosity, and kindness. We are passionate about doing good works. We eagerly look for good works so we can do them. The primary place we can do good works is with our family, biological and spiritual. Let's be people who shine the Gospel in our Family Dynamics!



23 For this very night there stood before me an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I worship, 24 and he said, Do not be afraid, Paul; you must stand before Caesar. And behold, God has granted you all those who sail with you.' 25 So take heart, men, for I have faith in God that it will be exactly as I have been told.

PRAISE GOD FOR HIS GOOD WORK REVEALED TO PAUL IN A WORD FROM AN ANGEL THAT TOOK PLACE AND THAT PEOPLE BELIEVED IN JESUS AND ARE PART OF GOD'S FAMILY. GOD CONTINUES GIVING PEOPLE FAITH AND BRINGING THEM INTO HIS FAMILY. HE DID THIS FOR YOU, AND GOD INCLUDES YOU AS HE DOES THIS FOR OTHERS. LET'S SHINE THE GOSPEL IN FAMILY DYNAMICS AS GOD GROWS HIS FAMILY!





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.

GOD GRACIOUSLY GAVE YOU FAITH TO BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST AND BELIEVE IN HIM. THIS FAITH THAT JUSTIFIED YOU WITH GOD SAVES YOU FROM DESTRUCTION. YOU HAVE LIFE BECAUSE GOD SAVED YOU. THIS SALVATION ISN'T BECAUSE YOU WERE GOOD, BECAUSE YOU EARNED IT, BECAUSE YOU WOULD DO REMARKABLE THINGS, OR BECAUSE OF ANYTHING YOU COULD HAVE DONE. GOD SAVED YOU AND GAVE YOU AN ETERNAL REWARD OF ABIDING PRESENCE WITH HIM THROUGH JESUS CHRIST BECAUSE OF HIS GRACE. KNOWING THIS, GIVE YOURSELF FULLY TO THE GOOD WORKS GOD HAS PREPARED FOR YOU AND FOR WHICH HE HAS PREPARED YOU. SHINE THE LIGHT OF THE GOSPEL IN FAMILY DYNAMICS BY DOING GOOD WORKS TO YOUR FAMILY!



19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, [<u>A</u>] but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, 20 built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, 21 in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. 22 In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by [<u>B</u>] the Spirit.

You are a member of God's family and a part of the structure of God's house/temple. God dwells in the lives of His people. Jesus is the foundation and the head of His "structure". This structure is set apart and being built up and supported by His work. Since we are part of this structure together, let us be kind and caring to each other. Shine the light of the Gospel in our Family Dynamics as the dwelling place of God! Romans 12:3-7 ESV 3 For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. 4 For as in one body we have many members, [A] and the members do not all have the same function, 5 so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. 6 Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; 7 if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching;

GOD'S FAMILY IS GREAT AND DYNAMIC! YOU ARE PART OF THAT FAMILY! EACH MEMBER IS DIFFERENT AND IS GIVEN DIFFERENT GIFTS ACCORDING TO GOD'S GRACE. USE YOUR GIFT AND TALENT TO BUILD UP THE FAMILY AND BRING GLORY AND PLEASURE TO OUR FATHER. YOU HAVE A DIFFERENT GIFT THAT MAKES YOU UNIQUE BUT ALSO MAKES YOU UNIQUELY VITAL TO THE HEALTH AND GROWTH OF YOUR FAMILY. ASK GOD TO HELP YOU KNOW YOUR GIFT, GROW YOUR GIFT, AND SHARE YOUR GIFT. GOD WILL USE OTHERS IN HIS FAMILY TO HELP YOU KNOW, GROW, AND SHARE. IT IS A BEAUTIFUL ECONOMY OF GOD'S WORK. SHINE THE LIGHT OF THE GOSPEL IN OUR FAMILY DYNAMICS AS GOD GROWS HIS FAMILY!