# The CHALLENGE to Godly Living (1:2-10)

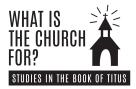
The challenge is CONTEXTUAL, but also TIMELESS.

•	The challenge is MULTI-GENERATIONAL.
•	The challenge is a call to community marked by MENTORING.
	Older men (2:2)
	Older women (2:3)
	Younger women (2:4-5)
	Younger men (2:6)
	Titus / Spiritual Leaders (2:7-8)
	Bondservants (2:9-10)

# **Coming Up Next Week:**

What does Godly Citizenship look like?

Titus 2:10 - 3:8



### Why Does Godly Living Matter?

Titus 2:1-15 Sunday, May 12, 2019

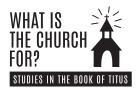
The Gospel is not just truth to be believed, it's truth to be lived. But there seems to be a split between the belief and behavior of the Cretan Christians. Paul instructs Titus to challenge the Cretan Christians forward toward grace-driven Godly living . . .

## The WELL-SPRING of Godly Living (1:11-15)

- Grace appeared when JESUS appeared.
- Jesus' GIVING Himself for us was the ultimate expression of grace.
- Grace teaches us to live GODLY LIVES as we wait for the appearance of Jesus again.
- Godliness involves RENOUNCING some things, learning to CONTROL some things and COMMITTING to other things.

# The WITNESS of Godly Living

- Godly living matters because it makes God's Word CREDIBLE. (1:5)
- Godly living matters because it SILENCES Gospel OPPOSITION. (1:8)
- Godly living matters because it makes the Gospel ATTRACTIVE and INVITING. (1:10)



## Why Does Godly Living Matter?

Titus 2:1-15 Sunday, May 12, 2019 Growth Group Week 5 of 9

Growth Groups are the glue that hold our church together. Growth Groups are groups of 6 - 12+ people that meet together during the week to process and apply the message, pray together, care for another and live life together. If you are interested in joining a Growth Group, go to gracecentralcoast.org. You can jump in anytime!

#### **Connecting and Caring for One Another**

As you come together, share one person in your life who has been a model/example for you of Godly living.

# Digging into God's Word & the Message Together

1. Take time as a group to read the whole book of Titus together again. What jumped out at you as read the book this time?

2. What is the "well spring" of Godliness according to Paul in 2:11-15, and how does grace "teach us" to live Godly lives?

3. As you've grown in your understanding of the grace of the Gospel, what is one thing you've renounced (stopped) and one thing you've embraced (started)?

4. There are 3 "so that" purpose clauses in Titus 2:1-10. Can you find them? What do they tell us Godly living is for and why it matters?

- 5. Paul challenges different ages, both genders and those with different stations in life. Everyone is challenged! How do you personalize the challenge for where you fit in life? How is God speaking to you in this text?
- 6. Paul's challenge to Godliness implies a community marked by mentoring. Describe a mentoring relationship you've experienced in the church. How can we lean into mentoring more here at Grace?

### **Praying Together**

As you pray for one another's personal needs, pray for that area of Godliness where God is speaking to and challenging you.