Introduction: A Troubled Church – “Then & Now”

- The Church’s problems:
  1. Believers’ lives don’t match their beliefs.
  2. Believers’ conduct is discrediting their message.
  3. False teachers are ruining families and destroying the Church.

- The pastor’s assignment:
  1. Straighten out the mess.
  2. Teach sound doctrine.
  3. Confront error and transform cities by DOING GOOD.

- The underlying issue:

  If we are “saved by grace,” totally apart from our good works, what difference does it make if we DO GOOD or not?
The Question: Why does DOING GOOD matter?

CHAPTER 1: DOING GOOD in the Church

- Author and purpose
  1. From the Apostle Paul
  2. For the faith of God’s chosen people and the knowledge of the truth that leads to Godliness
  3. Based on our hope of eternal life in Jesus Christ

- Titus’ assignment #1
  1. Set things in order and appoint godly leaders
  2. A leader must be:
     a. Blameless in marriage and family
     b. Blameless in character
     c. Hospitable, loves what’s good, self-controlled, upright, holy, disciplined
     d. Theologically sound and able to guard the truth

- The reason
  1. False teachers, deceivers, mere talkers, ruining whole families, dishonest, promoting Cretan vs. Christian values
  2. They claim to know God but by their deeds they deny Him.

- Summary: They’re unfit for doing any good thing.

CHAPTER 2: DOING GOOD in relationships

- Titus’ assignment #2
  1. Teach what “good” looks like in daily life to…
     a. Older men
     b. Older women
     c. Younger women
     d. Younger men
     e. Slaves
• A theology of “doing good”

For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. It teaches us to say “No” to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for Himself a people that are His very own, eager to do what is good.

• Summary: These are the things that you should teach.

CHAPTER 3: DOING GOOD in the World

• Titus’ assignment #3

1. Remind God’s people to...
   a. Submit to authorities
   b. Be ready to do what is good
   c. Slander no one
   d. Be peaceable and considerate
   e. Show true humility to ALL men

2. The reason to DO GOOD to all
   a. Our past life
   b. Our new life by God’s grace demands a new lifestyle!

• A theology of “becoming good”

1. Not by “works”
2. Regeneration by His mercy to a “new birth”
3. By God’s mercy

• Warnings and instructions

1. Avoid foolish controversies
2. Warn a divisive person
3. Send co-workers, help others

• Summary: Our people must learn to devote themselves to doing what is good.
Four reasons... Why DOING GOOD matters so much

1. **Doing Good** reveals God’s ________________ for all people.  
   
   Key Concept: Salvation by grace  
   Ephesians 2:4-9  
   
   Application: ________________ ________________!  
   Matthew 5:16

2. **Doing Good** reveals Christ’s ________________ in our lives.  
   
   Key Concept: Grace provides life change  
   Matthew 7:15-23  
   
   Application: ________________ ________________!  
   2 Corinthians 13:5

3. **Doing Good** reveals the ________________ of our lives.  
   
   Key Concept: Temporal, eternal perspective  
   Philippians 3:17-21  
   
   Application: ________________ ________________!  
   Matthew 25:1-13

4. **Doing Good** reveals Jesus’ ________________ for our lives.  
   
   Key Concept: You are His workmanship  
   Ephesians 2:10  
   
   Application: ________________ ________________!  
   John 15:8