

For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men,<sup>12</sup> teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age,<sup>13</sup> looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,<sup>14</sup> who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.<sup>15</sup> Speak these things, exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no one despise you.

## **Introduction**

- The grace of God is relational not abstract. We view it, know it and experience it through Jesus.
- Grace motivates us toward godliness.
- When Paul thought about what God desired to do on the island of Crete he envisioned it filled with believers empowered by the grace of God going around zealous for good works.
- Imagine what Woodstock could be - regardless of what surrounded us in the nation - if it was filled with people zealously doing good works.

## **1. Zealous for good works. (Titus 2:14)**

- a. Zealous – burning with a most eagerly desire
- b. Your outward world begins with your inner world.
- c. If you do not get a zeal and desire for good works you will never find your body being involved in good works.

## **2. Qualified for every good work. (Titus 1:10-14)**

- a. God calls us to be zealous for good works. We need to be eager for them, but then we need to be qualified for them.
- b. Greek word dokimos – which means an approved workman

## **3. Ready for every good work. (Titus 3:1-2)**

- a. The word “ready” is connected to the Greek idea of staying fit.
- b. Why do we do missions week here at Dwelling Place?

## **4. Careful to maintain good works. (Titus 3:8)**

- a. Careful - give your mind and attention to
- b. Maintain - to keep putting in view of yourself and others / to keep placing before
- c. What are good works?
  - i. Good - (kalos) excellent useful, admirable, genuine, honorable
  - ii. Honor good, truthful, morally pure
  - iii. Profitable to others
  - iv. How do you intentionally give your mind and attention to maintaining good works?

## **5. Learn to maintain good works. (Titus 3:13-14)**

- a. Learn - to increase one's knowledge of how to stay in the habit of, accustomed to
- b. Habits, rhythms
- c. Context matters. Community matters.

**WELCOME! OUR STRATEGY AT DPC: GATHER (GATHERINGS),  
GROUP (CONNECT GROUPS), GROW (GROWTH PHASES),  
GIVE (GIVING/GIFTING TEAMS, GO (OUTREACH))**

**SUNDAYS IN APRIL- 9A + 11A  
GOD'S WILL: OPEN THE DOOR**

Ephesians 1 contains a remarkable line about how God has "made known to us the mystery of his will." So, no problem, we know it. The author gives the big picture, explaining that God's will through Christ is for us to experience God's unconditional love and acceptance so that we might glorify God. This may sound familiar to those who memorized catechisms where you learned to answer questions about the chief purpose of humanity by saying, "To glorify God and enjoy him forever." We glorify God through being fully alive, having a sense of purpose, serving others. That is the big picture of God's will, but what about everyday decisions? Join us all month long as open the door to God's will!

**FRIDAY, APRIL 7 - 6:30-7:30P +  
8:00-9:00P - GOOD FRIDAY  
GATHERING**

Join us for Worship + Communion + Reflection on the Cross. This is a Family-Style Gathering, Nursery Is Available, Preschool and Elementary Kids Join Their Parents In The Gathering

**SATURDAY, APRIL 8 - 10:25A - 12:45P  
EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA**

Join us at J.B. Owens Park, 2699 Hickory Road for DP Easter Eggstravaganza! This is a picnic style event where each family brings their own food. We will have egg hunts and pods of games so each family member can join the fun!

**EASTER AT DWELLING PLACE  
CHURCH - SUNDAY, APRIL 9  
8:00A + 9:30A + 11:00A**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 2 - SPRING 2023 CONNECT GROUPS**

Connect Group will be meeting all over the community this day! We would love for you to get plugged into a group and experience transformation through genuine relationships with other believers. Visit the Next Steps table for more information!

**THURSDAY, MARCH 30 - 7P - 9P - NIGHT TWELVE OF  
OUR WINTER SESSION OF GROWTH PHASES**

Join us for the final night of our winter session of Growth Phases. We can't wait to see all the Lord will do in and through your life this session!

**THURSDAY, APRIL 13 - 7P - 9P - LAUNCH OF OUR  
SPRING SESSION OF GROWTH PHASES**

Sign up now at the Next Steps Table to join us for our Spring Session of Growth Phases. We can't wait to see all the Lord will do this session!

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**BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE OUR  
COMMUNITY COMING UP IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS!**



If you have questions, please stop by the Next Steps table in the foyer, or look for a team member. If we can help you in any way, please email us at [dwellingplacemovement@gmail.com](mailto:dwellingplacemovement@gmail.com)

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