

God's Grace Appeared – Part One

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Series – Titus: Sound Doctrine, Sound Life (Part 17)

Introduction:

III. Sound Doctrine and Pastoral Exhortation (2:1-15)

A. Call to Pastoral Exhortation Issued (2:1)

But you, you keep speaking the things which are befitting to healthy doctrine [DJP]

B. Specifics of Pastoral Exhortation Detailed (2:2-10)

C. Pastoral Exhortation Grounded in Christ (2:11-14)

1. The appearance of grace (2:11-13)

a. The _____ (v. 11)

For the grace of God appeared, with saving *power* for all men... [DJP]

i. What appeared?

(1) “Grace”

(a) Scriptures

(i) Rom 4:1-4

(ii) Eph. 2:1-10

(iii) 1 Cor. 15:10

(b) “Grace is God’s dynamic, free, flowing gift of Himself that delivers us from the guilt and domain of sin...and enables us to live lives that please Him” (*The World-Tilting Gospel*, p. 204)

(2) “...of God”

(3) “...with saving *power*”

ii. To whom did it appear? (v. 11b)

(1) Background

Exodus 19:5-6

Matthew 10:5-6

Ephesians 2:12

(2) Foreground: “for all men”

- b. The _____ (vv. 12-13)
¹²instructing¹ us that, having renounced irreverence and worldly desires, we should live level-headedly and righteously and reverently in the present age,... [DJP]
- i. What is grace doing? “instructing us”
- (1) This word combines instruction and discipline
 - (a) It can be pretty tough
 - (i) Luke 23:16, 22
 - (ii) In Hebrews 12:6-7, 10...
 - (b) But it gets the point across
 - (i) Eph. 6:4
 - (ii) 2 Tim. 2:25
 - (2) How does God do it? **2 Timothy 3:16**
- ii. What is its _____?
- (1) Generally: “that...we should live...”
 - (2) Specifically:
 - (a) “Level-headedly”
 - (b) “...and righteously”
 - (c) “...and reverently”
 - (d) “...in the present age”
- iii. What must we have done to achieve that goal?
- (1) The objects:
 - (2) The action: “renouncing”
Matthew 4:17
Matthew 16:24

¹ Or “disciplining.”