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TITUS

Reforming the Church. Transforming the Culture.

**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. Titus 3:5**

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Holy Spirit prayer

Holy Spirit, You are welcome here. We acknowledge Your presence among us. We recognize You and invite You to come here; You have our attention, speak, and we will obey. Holy Spirit, open our eyes to perceive and our ears to hear the Word of God. Should our pastor preach words of human wisdom based on his own opinion, we ask that You forgive him, guard our hearts and minds, and protect us from false teachings But should our pastor proclaim the Gospel of the kingdom by the Holy Spirit and of power, strengthen our faith so that we may not only listen but also live out Your teachings.

In Jesus' Name. Amen.

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Introduction

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The message of Titus gives us a pattern:

Titus 1 — Set Things in Order.

Titus 2 — Teach Sound Doctrine.

Titus 3 — Be Devoted to Good Works.

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“Remind them to be **submissive to rulers and authorities, to be **obedient**, to be **ready for every good work.**” -Titus 3:1**

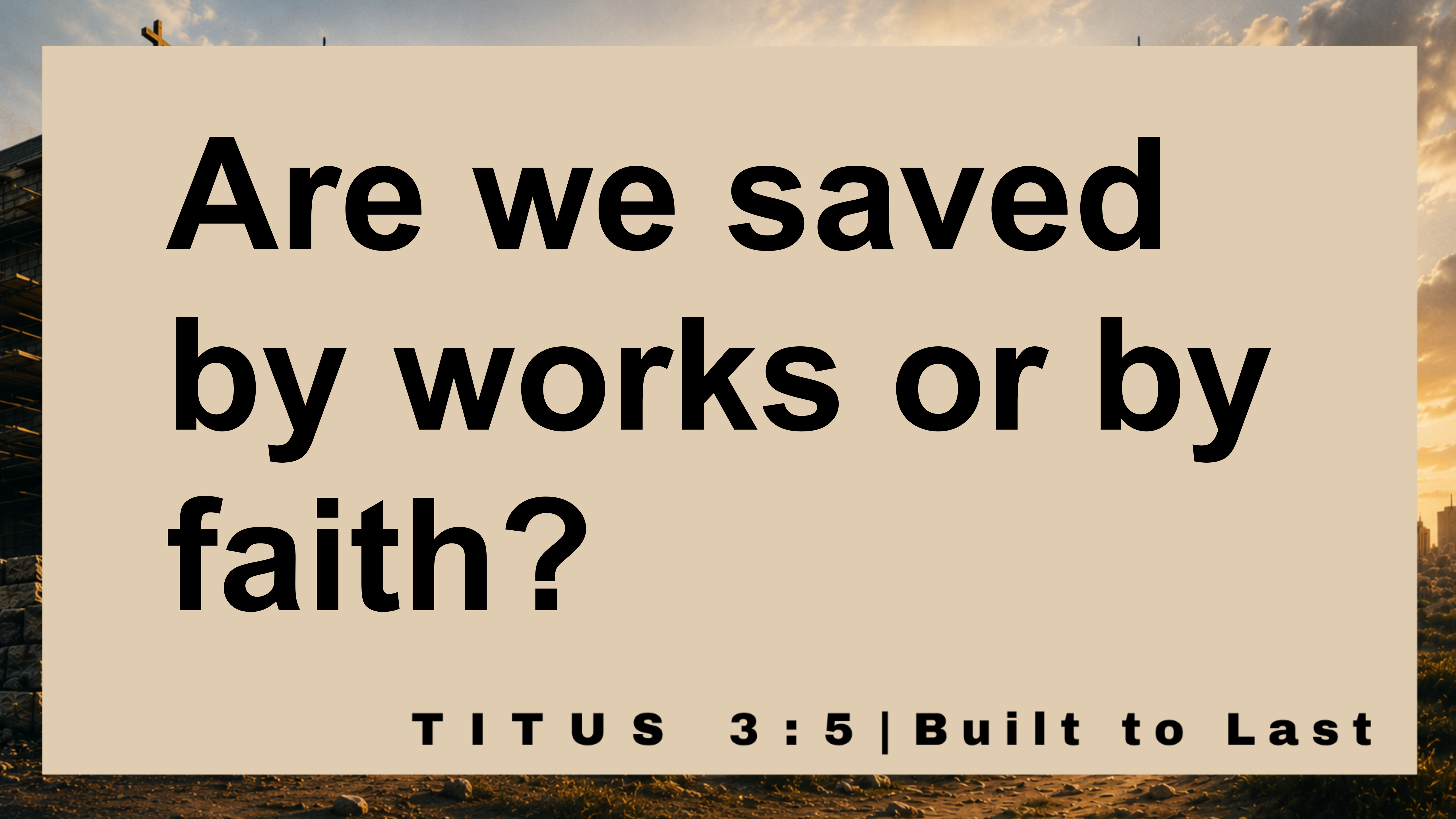
“To speak evil of no one, to avoid quarreling, to be gentle, and to show perfect courtesy toward all people.” -Titus 3:2

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**“Not by works of
righteousness which we
have done, but according to
his mercy he saved us.”**

-Titus 3:5

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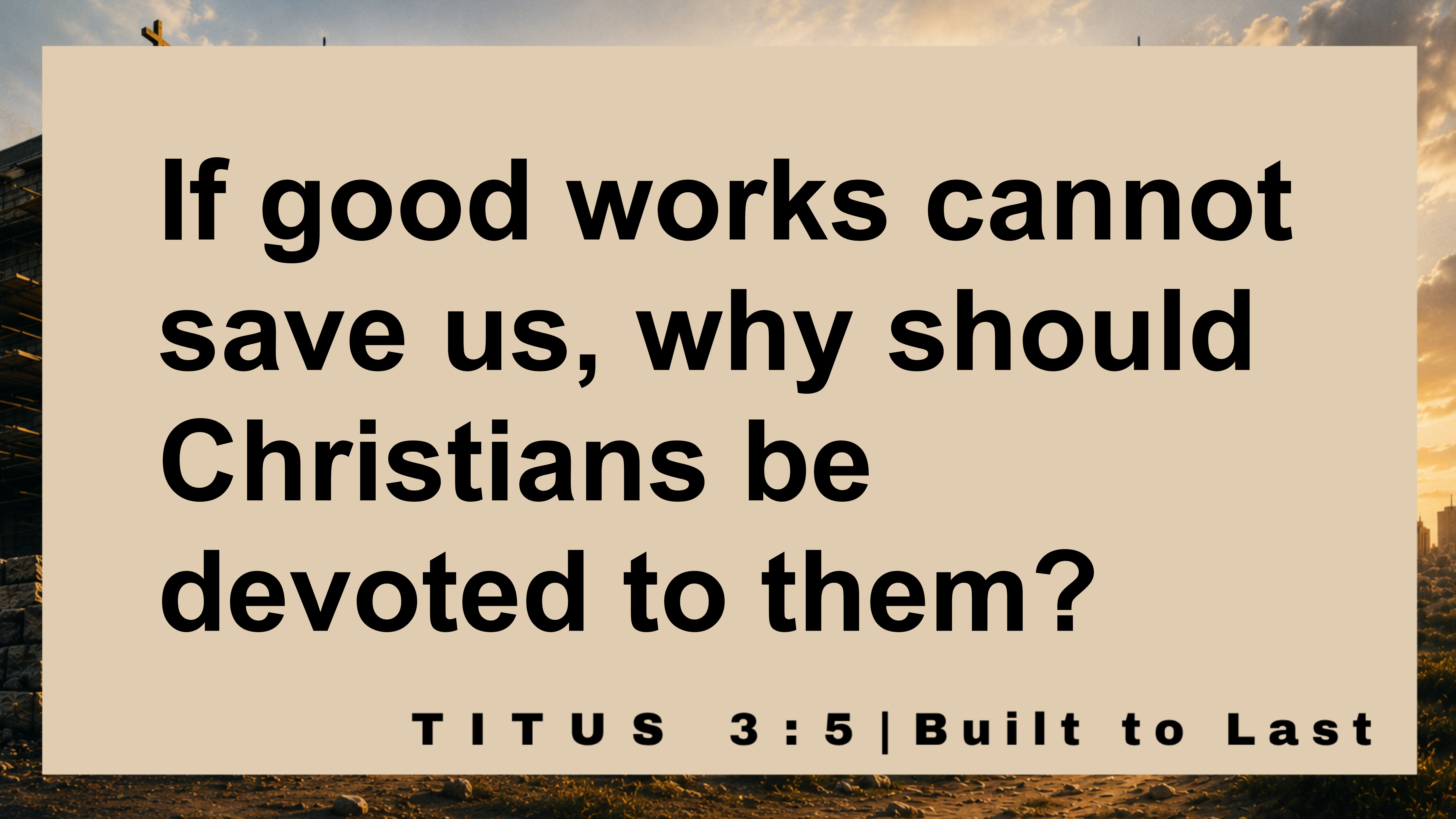
**Are we saved
by works or by
faith?**

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“6 And raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus. 8 For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.”

- Ephesians 2:6,8

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**If good works cannot
save us, why should
Christians be
devoted to them?**

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Truth Principles

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Good Works Cannot Save Us

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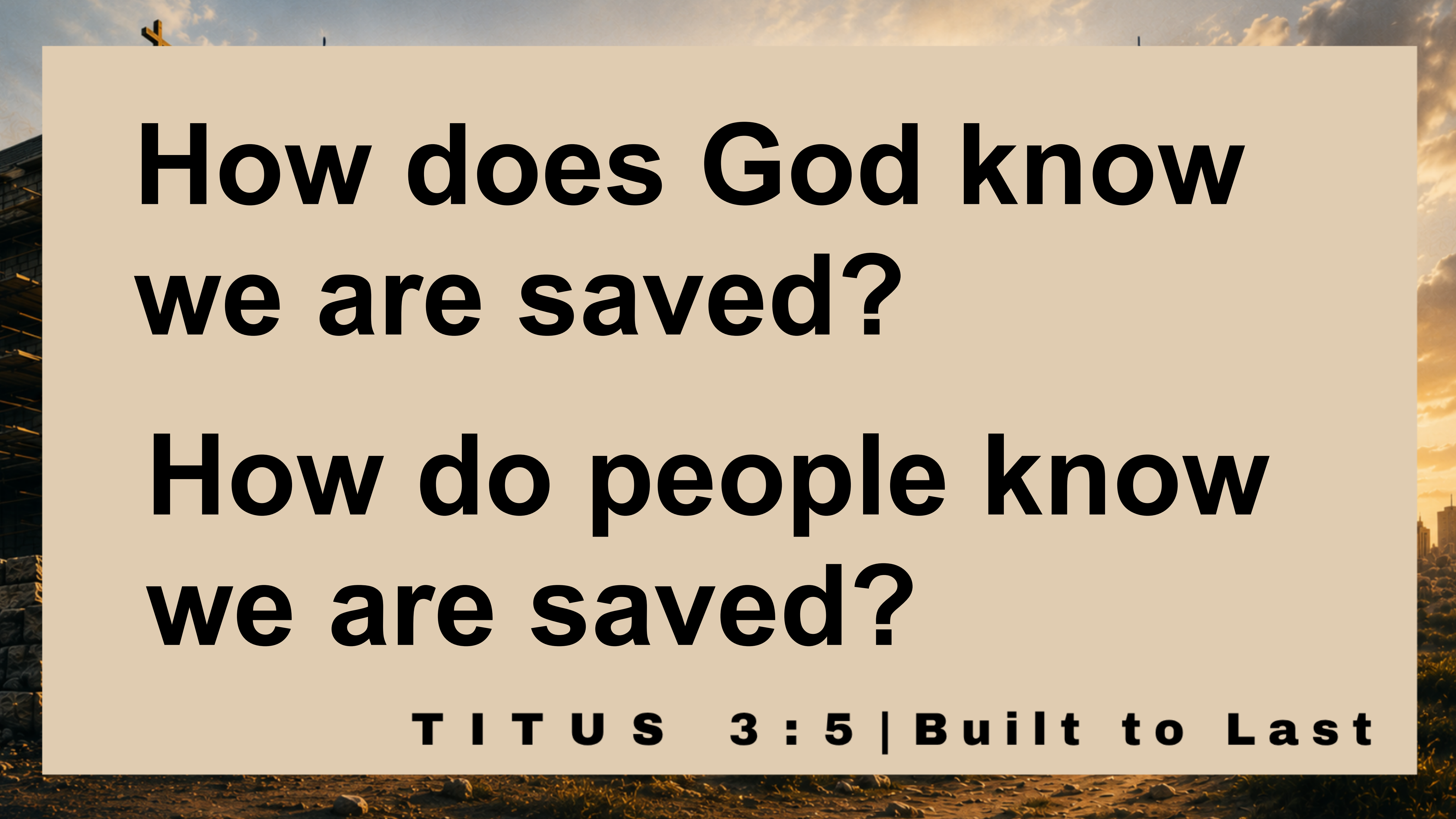
Our morality cannot save us.

Our religious activity cannot save us.

Our good deeds cannot save us.

Salvation cannot be earned.

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**How does God know
we are saved?**

**How do people know
we are saved?**

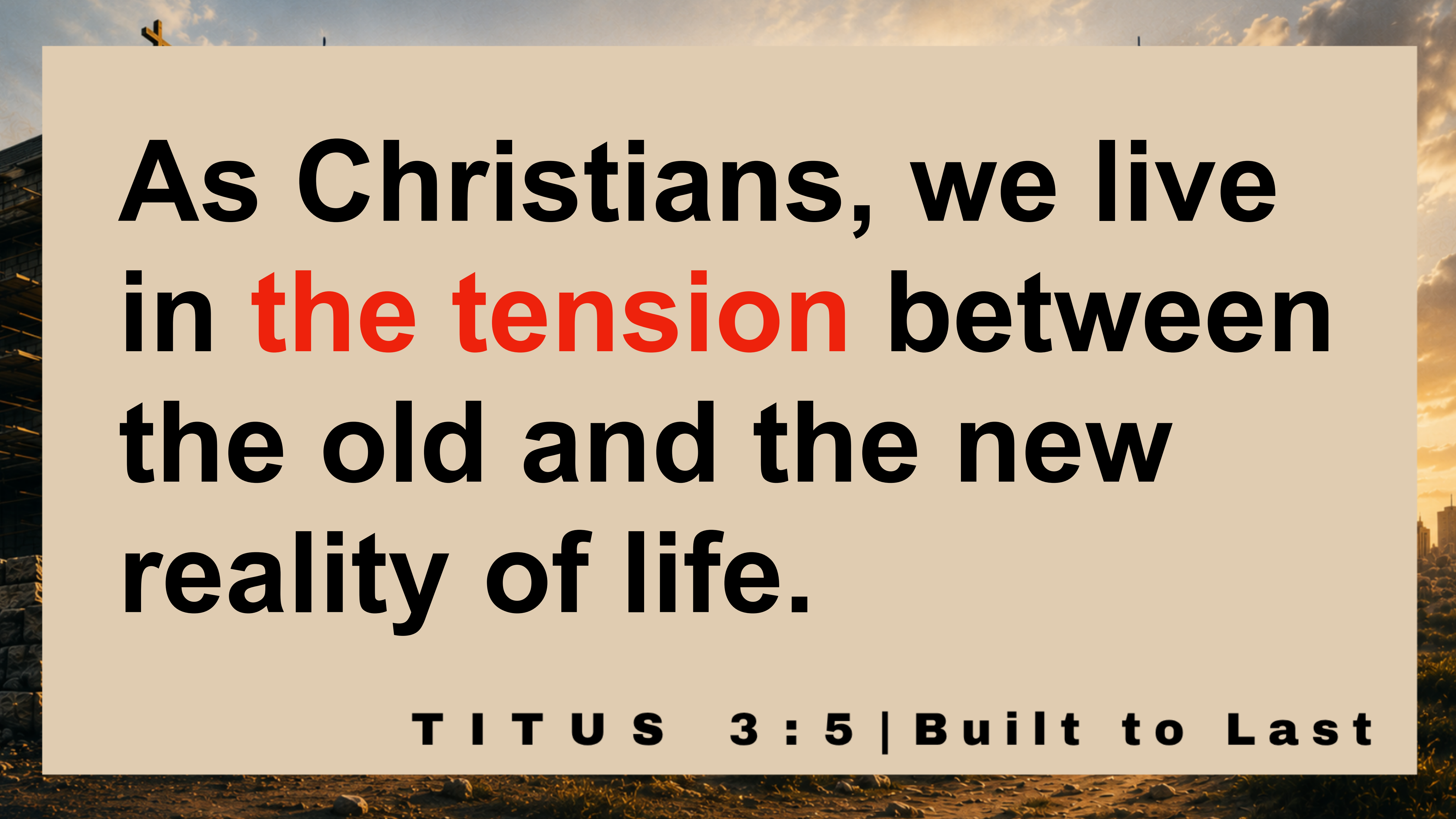
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RELATIONSHIP over Religiosity

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As Christians, we live
in **the tension** of the
kingdom's reality,
which is **HERE** but not
yet.

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**As Christians, we live
in **the tension** between
the old and the new
reality of life.**

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**As Christians, we live
in **the tension** between
the SPIRITUAL and
NATURAL worlds.**

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God's Mercy Saves Us

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**“ But when the goodness
and loving kindness of God
our Savior appeared, **He
SAVED US.**” -Titus 3:4-5**

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The gospel is not the story
of what we did for God.
It is the **good news** of what
God has done for us.

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We love him
because HE
LOVED us first

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Salvation by God produces Good Works

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“They who have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works.” -Titus 3:8

**Good works are not the
root of salvation.**

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Good works are the fruit of salvation.

“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works.”

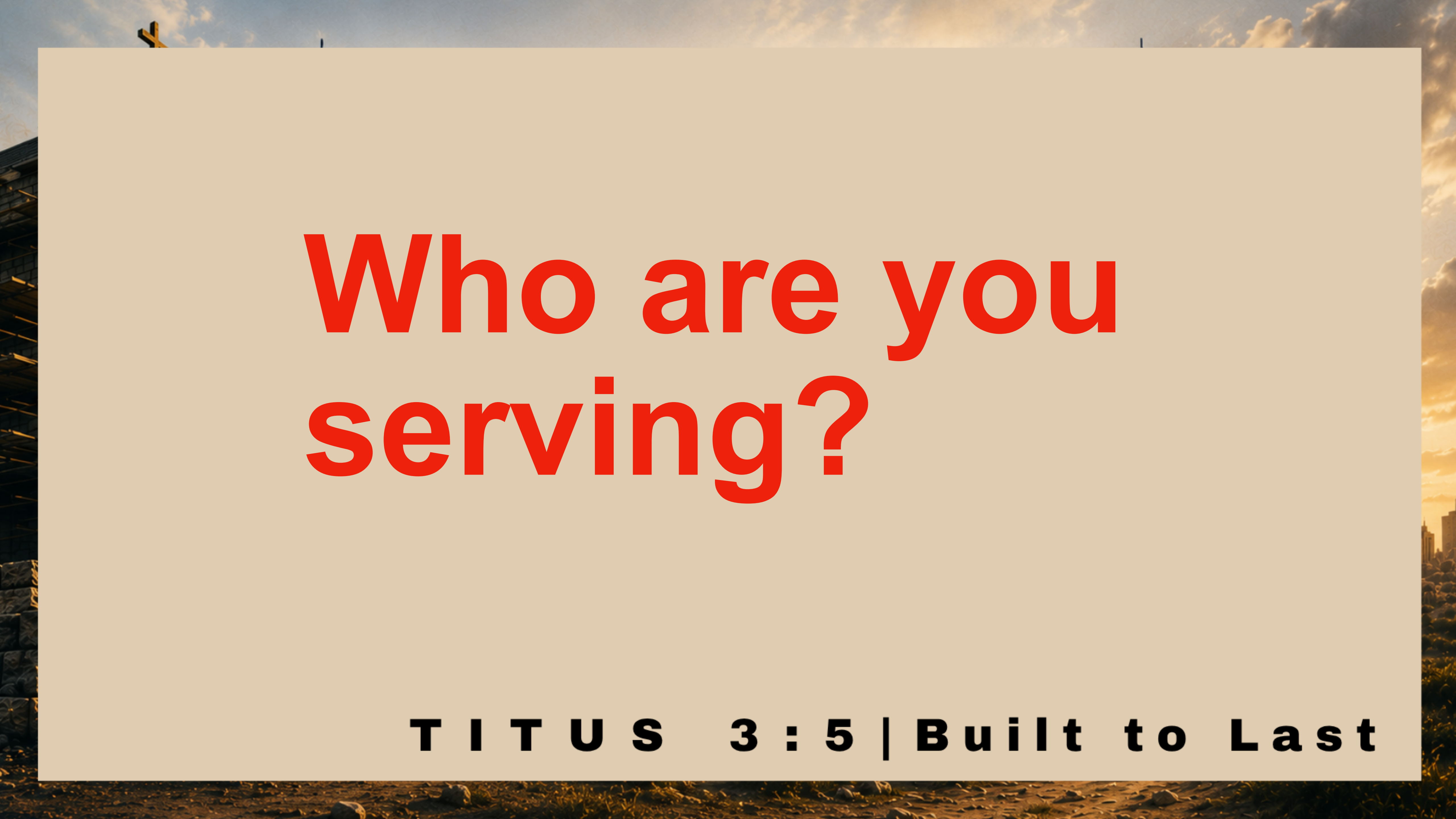
— Ephesians 2:10

God saves us and then sends us to serve.

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**God saves us and
then sends us to
serve one another.**

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The background of the slide is a photograph of a construction site at sunset. On the left, a tall building under construction is visible, with its steel framework and scaffolding silhouetted against the sky. The ground in the foreground is covered with dirt and construction debris. The sky is filled with soft, golden clouds, and the sun is low on the horizon to the right, casting a warm glow over the entire scene.

Who are you serving?

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**Anyone who does
not serve others
on earth is of no
use to God.**

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Activating The Word of God

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Activating **The Word of God**

Find a need.

Serve somebody.

Help your neighbor.

Strengthen your church.

Let the gospel become visible through your life

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Martin Luther:
**“God does not need your
good works, but your
neighbor does.”**

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Conclusion

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A church that is ordered by
God's Word, grounded in
God's truth, and devoted to
God's work is a church that is.

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Prayer:

Father, thank You that You saved us according to Your mercy and not according to our works. Keep us humble and grateful. Make us a people who are careful to maintain good works.

Let the gospel we believe become visible in the lives we live. Reform Your church and use Your church to impact the culture for Your glory.

In Jesus ' Name, Amen.

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Benediction

May the God who saved us according to His mercy renew us by His Spirit, establish us in His truth, and make us fruitful in every good work.

May we be a people ordered by the Word, grounded in truth, devoted to good works, and Built to Last. Amen.

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