

LIVING

Titus 1:1-4

FROM PASTOR MARK

Welcome to our pastoral team series, *LIVING*, from the powerful and practical letter to Titus. The repeated words, reveal Titus' theme: Savior (6x), Doctrine (3x), and Work(s) (8x). The truths about the Savior transform our LIVING. Deeds display doctrine. Behavior is based on Belief. Faith produces works (Eph. 2:10). Your actions show what you REALLY believe. When Christ redeems us, our LIVING is transformed. We find what real living is meant to be. Paul's introduction lays out the basics for Real Living...

I. OUR FOUNDATION FOR REAL LIVING (1:1-3)

- A. Foundational Spokesman (1a)
- B. Foundational Truth (1b)
 - 1. Doctrinal Truth
 - 2. Practical Truth
- C. Foundational Certainty (2-3)
 - 1. The Certain Person (2a)
 - 2. The Certain Promises (2b)
 - 3. The Certain Proclamation (3)

II. A MODEL FOR REAL LIVING (1:4a)

- A. The Man Titus
 - 1. An early Gentile Convert (Gal. 2:3)
 - 2. An Outstanding Co-worker (2 Cor. 2:12-13, 7:6-7)
 - 3. Concern for Others (2 Cor. 8:17)
 - 4. Positive Attitude (2 Cor. 8:17)
- B. Their Relationship—*my true child in a common faith*

III. OUR POWER FOR REAL LIVING (1:4b)

- A. The Power of Grace
- B. The Power of Peace
- C. The Provider—*God the Father and Christ Jesus our Savior*

Do you have real life? Does your living display its reality?

TO DISCUSS WITH FAMILY OR FRIENDS:

1. How was Titus himself a model of how faith in Jesus transforms one's living?
2. What evidence can you site that your faith impacts your living?

FOR NEXT WEEK: Pray for Pastor Josh Tingler and for Teen Week 2023