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## Say Yes to God at Home

*Scripture Text: Titus 2*

### *Introduction:*

Titus was left on the island of Crete to strengthen young, emerging churches in a culture filled with confusion, competing voices, and moral compromise. *That sounds familiar.* We are trying to follow Jesus in a world where truth is often treated as personal preference, moral and biblical boundaries are frequently questioned, family relationships are strained, and many people are asking whether the church has anything meaningful to say to everyday life. Paul told Titus **to teach the church how to live Gospel-shaped lives** *right where they were.* In Titus 2, Paul shows us that grace trains us to say, "Yes!" to God in the ordinary places where faith is put to the test . . . in our homes, our relationships, our habits, our words, and our witness.

Because Jesus has appeared in grace, we can say YES to God in everyday life, beginning at home.

### 1. Grace Saves You

#### **Titus 2:11 NLT**

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people...

Jesus came to bring salvation. Before Paul tells believers how to live, he reminds them of what God has done.

### 2. Grace Teaches You to Reject

#### **Titus 2:12 NLT**

...training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions...

Grace teaches us that saying YES to God will also require saying NO to whatever competes with Him.

### 3. Grace Teaches You to Live

#### **Titus 2:12b NLT**

...and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age...

Grace turns us toward a new kind of life.

Three marks of a **grace-trained life**:

- **Self-Controlled** - Grace shapes my inner life.
- **Upright** - Grace shapes my relationships with others.
- **Godly** - Grace shapes my devotion to the Lord.

## 4. Grace Gives You Hope

**Titus 2:13 NLT**

...waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ...

The Christian life is lived between two *appearings*: Christ *Has* Appeared | Christ *Will* Appear

## 5. Grace Gives You Purpose

**Titus 2:14 NLT**

...who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works...

Jesus gave Himself to rescue us from self-rule, cleanse us from sin, claim us as His own, and make us eager to live lives that display His goodness.

## 6. When We Receive Grace, We Say Yes to God...

### • In Our Leadership

Leaders say yes to God by becoming examples worth following.

**Titus 2:1, 7 - 8 NLT**

### • In Every Generation

Everyone says yes to God by letting grace shape their character and relationships.

**Titus 2:2 - 6 NLT**

### • In Our Work

Workers say yes to God by making the Gospel attractive through trustworthiness.

**Titus 2:9 - 10 NLT**

## Discussion Questions

1. How does remembering that grace begins with what Jesus has done - not what we have done - change the way we approach obedience?
2. What is one attitude, habit, desire, or pattern that may be competing with your yes to God right now?
3. Of the three marks Paul gives - self-controlled, upright, and godly - which one do you most need grace to strengthen in this season?
4. Jesus redeemed us to make us "zealous for good works." Where is one ordinary place - home, church, work, or relationships - where God may be calling you to display His goodness this week?
5. Whether in leadership, across generations, or at work, how can your life make "the teaching about God our Savior attractive" to others?