



Titus

*...in all things show yourself
to be an example of good deeds...*

Agenda

- Recap
- Titus 2:11-15
- Topics:
 - Overview of God's grace
 - Law vs grace
 - How we are to function in the Christian life

Titus Outline

Conduct of believers

Importance of sound doctrine

Correction of false teaching

Appointment of elders

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Titus 2:1

But as for you, speak the things that are **fitting** for sound doctrine.

- Fitting – appropriate / consistent with

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Sensible - sophronos

Expected of:

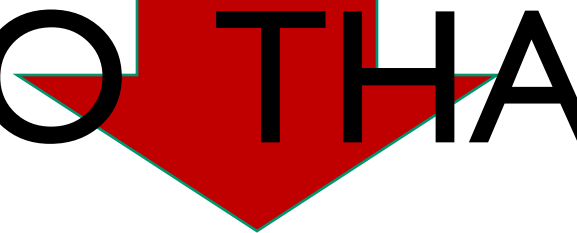
- Elders (1 Tim 3:2 – “prudent”)
- Older men
- Younger men

Learned by younger women

Ministry of older women

Older Men and Women

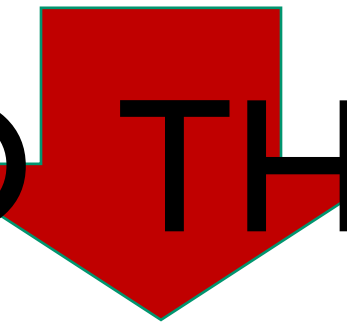
- Temperate, Dignified, Sensible, Sound in faith, love, and perseverance
- Reverent, not malicious gossips, not enslaved to much wine, teaching what is good

SO  THAT

They may bring the young women to their senses

Younger Women: Observations

- Love their husbands, love their children, sensible, pure, workers at home, kind, being subject to their own husbands

SO  THAT

The word of God will not be dishonored

Younger Men including Titus

- Sensible
- Titus' example of:
 - Good deeds
 - Dignity
 - Purity of doctrine
 - Sound in speech

SO  THAT

The opponent will be put to shame,
having nothing bad to say about us

Slaves

-Subject to own masters

-Well-pleasing

-Not argumentative

-Not pilfering

-Showing all good faith

SO  THAT

They will adorn the doctrine of God our savior in every respect

Col 3:17

**WHATEVER
YOU DO**

**DO IN THE
NAME OF
THE LORD**

Col 3:18-22

**WIVES,
HUSBANDS,
CHILDREN,
SLAVES...**

**AS TO THE
LORD**

Col 3:23

**WHATEVER
YOU DO**

**WORK AS
FOR THE
LORD**

Adorning the Doctrine

Adorn - **cosmeo**

- To make beautiful or attractive
- To enhance



**How does the world
generally judge
Christianity?**

**So, we know that
conduct matters...**



**What teaches us
correct conduct?**

Titus 2:11-15

¹¹ For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, ¹² instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age, ¹³ looking for the blessed hope...

Titus 2:11-15

...and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus, ¹⁴ who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good...

Titus 2:11-15

...deeds. ¹⁵ These things speak and exhort and reprove with all authority. Let no one disregard you.

God's Grace Overview

- **Its Past Provision of Salvation – Titus 2:11**
- **Its Present Provision of Instruction – Titus 2:12**
- **Its Future Provision of Hope – Titus 2:13-14**

Past Provision of Salvation

“¹¹ For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men”

- “Has appeared” – **epiphaino**: to become visible



What does it mean that grace has become visible?
Hasn't grace always existed?

John 1:17

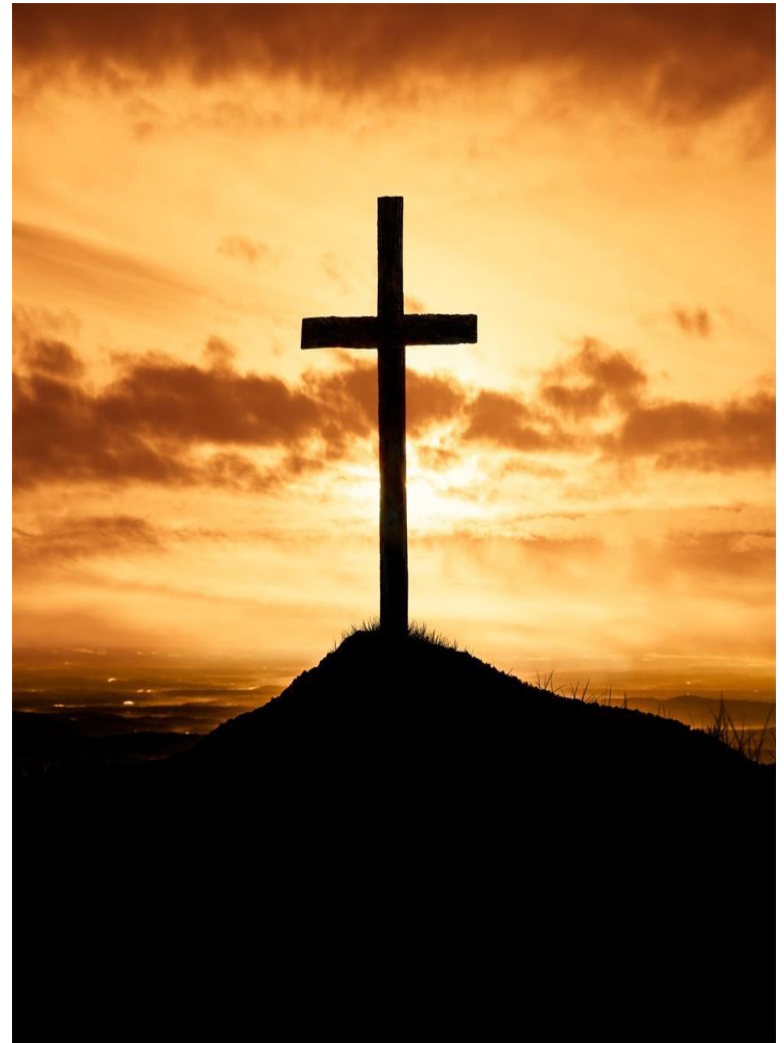
¹⁷ For the Law was given through Moses; grace and truth were realized through Jesus Christ.

- “realized” – **ginomai**: to come into being or existence
- Romans 6:14 For sin shall not be master over you, for you are not under law but under grace.

Law through Moses

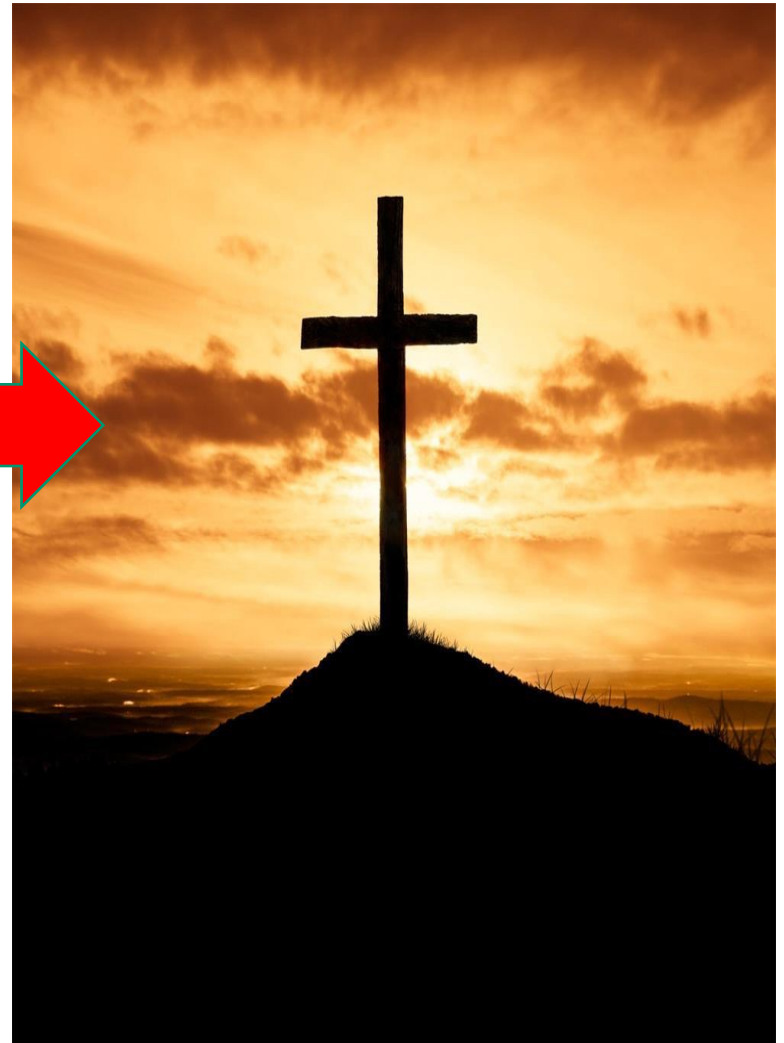


Grace came through Christ



Law: BEFORE

Grace: NOW



Galatians 3:23-26

²³ Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. ²⁴ So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵ But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, ²⁶ for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith.

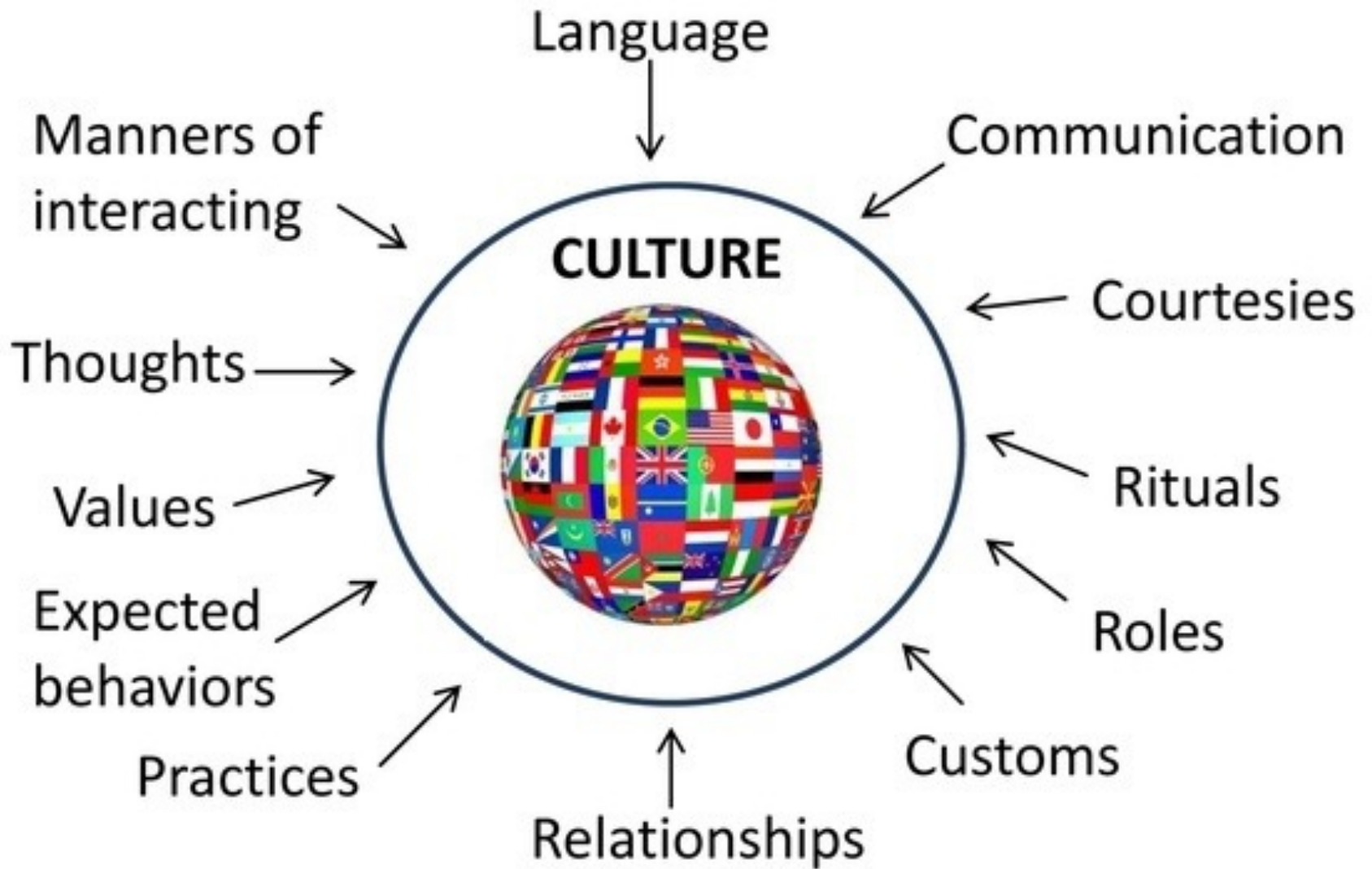
Law as a tutor / guardian

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What does it mean that the Law is a guardian?

“Guardian” – **paidagogos**: a child-trainer



Tutor / Guardian

- It was common for children between 6 and ~16 to be under their care
- They were responsible for getting the child to school.
- They protected the children from evil influences and demanded their obedience
- They cooperated with the teacher, but did not and could not do the teacher's job

Plato's *Lysis*

- “Do your parents allow you to do as you please, who has charge of you?”
- “My paidagogos here.”
- “What! Even though he is a slave, what does he do?”
- “He takes me to school.”

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Present Provision of Instruction

“¹² instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age”

- “instructing” – **paideuo**: to train a child



What does the instructing?

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Instruction of Grace

- **Educates** - Acts 7:22a “Moses was **educated** in all the learning of the Egyptians...”
- **Corrects** - 2 Timothy 2:25a “with gentleness **correcting** those who are in opposition...”
- **Disciplines** - 1 Cor 11:32a “But when we are judged, we are **disciplined** by the Lord...”



**Grace is like a
child-trainer**



**What is the goal
behind child-
training?**



**If grace is the
instructor, then what
is its curriculum?**

Curriculum of Grace

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Curriculum of Grace

Live / Embrace

- Sensibly (**sophronos**): self-control
- Righteously: Godly-attitude
- Godly: God-consciousness

Curriculum of Grace

Deny / Reject

- Ungodliness: opposite of God-conscious
- Worldly desires: refers to the aims, purposes, and desires that are not from God's Word

Sensible - sophronos

- **Expected of:**
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- **Learned** by younger women
- **Ministry** of older women
- **Taught** by grace to everyone

Curriculum of Grace

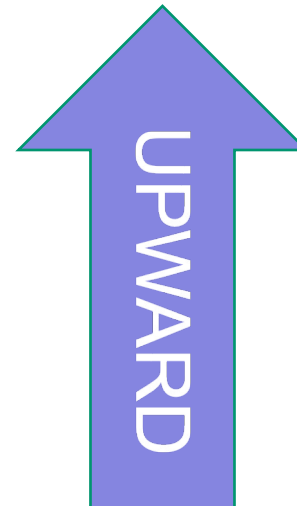
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- Righteously:



- Godly:



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Future Provision of Hope

“¹³ **looking for** the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus”



- NOT shameful
- NOT worried
- BUT eager expectation / anxiously waiting

Redeemed

“¹⁴ who gave Himself for us, that He might **redeem** us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds.”

- Redeem - to free by paying a ransom



What did He free us from?

Lawlessness

“¹⁴ who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us **from every lawless deed** and purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds.”

1 John 3:4 Everyone who practices sin also practices lawlessness; and sin is lawlessness.

Freed from Sin

Romans 6:6 “We know that our old self was crucified with Him in order that the body of sin might be rendered powerless, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin.”

Romans 6:18 “and, having been set free from sin, you have become slaves of righteousness.”