

Women's Bible Study

A Spiritual Legacy

Live What You Teach – Titus 2

Robin Kaufmann – January 19, 2011

Intensive Study Questions

Key verses: For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age. Titus 2:11-12

Read Titus 2

1. Looking back at Chapter 1, what problem was Titus facing on the island of Crete? Now turning to the first and last verses and verses 7-8 of chapter 2, what is Titus to do differently?

2. What IS to be preached as sound doctrine? (Support your answers with Scripture...Acts 5:41-41, Acts 28:30-31, and 2 Cor. 4: 4-6 will help.) What does it mean to preach Jesus Christ?

3. What does Scripture say is the motivation behind teaching false doctrines? (See 2 Cor. 11:12-14, Gal. 1:6-10, 2 Tim. 4:3)

4. Hebrews 5:11-14 describes those who do not feed themselves on the Word of God and thus have stunted spiritual growth. Compare and contrast the practices and results of the two types of people described in this passage. What disciplines have you employed in order to ensure that you are spiritually mature? What additional disciplines are more difficult, but if employed would help you to grow spiritually?

5. Titus 2:11 tells us that the grace of God has appeared and does 3 things. List those 3 things. How does grace train us (See Philip 2:13, 2 Peter 1:3 for hints)?

6. Think about the older women that have influenced your life. Who were/are they and what has been their legacy to you? What sort of lessons or legacy would you like to leave with women younger than you?

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1. Look up Acts 5:41, Acts 28:30-31, and 2 Cor 4:4-6. In contrast to false teaching, what IS to be preached as sound doctrine? How can we know whether what we are hearing is true or false?

2. Think about the older women that have influenced your life. Who were/are they and what has been their legacy to you? What sort of lessons or legacy would you like to leave with women younger than you? Describe the methods of older women/younger women relationships that you find to be the most helpful (1-on-1 mentoring, women's bible study, MOPS, books, etc.). Do you find these relationships to be difficult to establish in the 21st century church? Why or why not? Why do you think Paul puts the responsibility on older women to teach younger women rather than giving that responsibility to Titus (he is the pastor, after all)?

3. In the "School of Grace" of your life, what people, events, or lessons have been the most significant? In what way have they impacted you?

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