

PREACHING CURRICULUM

No Irony Here
Titus 2:1-15

"...teach what accords with sound doctrine." Titus 2:1

1 REVIEW THE SERMON

LEADER NOTES: Encourage your members to pull out their notes and review the main points of the sermon. (9-12 mins)

Read Titus 2:1-10. What does it mean to "teach what accords with sound doctrine"? What teaching does Paul have in mind? What five types of people are addressed in this text, and what specific instructions are given to each group? Why does Paul give the instructions he does to each of the five groups?

Read Titus 2:11-15. According to this text, what happens to people when they experience the grace of God in their lives? What is the outcome of His grace in terms of their attitudes, behaviour and outlook on life?

2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

LEADER NOTES: Evaluate the condition of your lives in relation to the truth from God's Word. Encourage heart examination. (12-15 mins)

To which of the five groups do you belong? Or do you feel like you are currently "in between" groups? How well do you exhibit the virtues Paul mentions for your group? Since God has freely given us grace in Jesus Christ, can a Christian live any way they like? Why or why not?

3 APPLY THE TRUTH

LEADER NOTES: Create a list of ways to close the gap between your lives and the truth of the Bible. Be practical and intentional. (12-15 mins)

What would it look like on a practical level if you were to consistently practice the virtues mentioned in this text? What should be our fundamental motivation for living a godly life? How does God's amazing grace to us in Jesus Christ free us and give us energy to live that sort of life?

4 COMMIT THIS WEEK

LEADER NOTES: Call your small group members to make a commitment and get the group working together to follow-up with each other. (9-12)

How will you put into practice that which "accords with sound doctrine" this week?