

TITUS

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# GOSPELAS CENTER

Motivated for Mission || Titus 2:15–3:15 || Pastor Jeremy Deck

## DISCUSSION questions

1. What was one or two of your biggest takeaways from either this week's message or the entire series through Titus? What was challenging and/or affirming?
2. Read Titus 3:1. Paul has moved purposefully from showing how the gospel changes relationships within the church (chapter 2) to now showing how the gospel changes our relationships with people outside of the church (chapter 3). Why do you think Paul places such importance on submission and obedience to ruling authorities? What might make this instruction challenging?
3. Read Titus 3:2. When we think about how we as believers engage with secular culture, what might make it difficult to respond to and engage with non-believers in the ways that Paul instructs? Why do you think this is so important for Paul?
4. Read Titus 3:3–8. This is quite possibly the most complete single statement of salvation in the entire New Testament. Why does Paul place it right here after instructing believers to "speak evil of no one, to avoid quarreling, to be gentle, and to show perfect courtesy" to those outside the church? How does the gospel inform our mission?
5. Think about the people that God has placed in your sphere of influence. How can you love them and engage with them this coming week in the ways that this passage has instructed us? Spend time praying specifically that you would remember the means that God has given you for this mission.

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### September 4

*Turning Our Wandering into Wonder*, Exodus 13:17–18, Pastor Matthew St. John