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**Titus 2:11-14** For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. <sup>12</sup> It teaches us to say “No” to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, <sup>13</sup> while we wait for the blessed hope—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, <sup>14</sup> who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

**Big Idea:** God’s grace is not just so we can survive our past but so that we can thrive as believers in the present and the future.

### **GOD’S GRACE IS ENOUGH FOR YOUR PAST (v. 11)**

- The nature of grace tells us that salvation is not available because you deserve it, it’s despite the fact that you \_\_\_\_\_.

**Romans 3:10** As it is written: “There is no one righteous, not even one; . . .”  
**Romans 3:23** . . . for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, . . .

- Your past—no matter how messed up it might be—doesn’t \_\_\_\_\_ you from God’s grace.

**1 Corinthians 15:9-10** For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup> But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them—yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me.

## GOD'S GRACE EMPOWERS YOUR PRESENT (v. 12)

- God's grace teaches us how to \_\_\_\_\_ from sinful thoughts and desires.

**Ephesians 4:22-24** You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; <sup>23</sup> to be made new in the attitude of your minds; <sup>24</sup> and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.

**Romans 8:16** The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.

- God's grace teaches us how to become \_\_\_\_\_ like \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ like \_\_\_\_\_.

**John 3:30** He must become greater; I must become less."

## GOD'S GRACE ENCOURAGES YOU WITH FUTURE HOPE (vv. 13-14)

- Understanding God's grace reminds you His greatest work in you is \_\_\_\_\_.

**1 Thessalonians 5:23-24** May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>24</sup> The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.

- Grace encourages us by keeping our eyes fixed on where \_\_\_\_\_, not where \_\_\_\_\_.

**1 John 3:2** Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.