

Calling the Church to Godliness (Titus 2:1-15)

(1) Introduction

- a. Hypocrisy in the church (1:16)
- b. Knowledge of the truth should lead to godliness (1:1)
- c. Titus' Unfinished Business – Call the Cretan churches to godliness
- d. What is 'godliness'?

"A reverent devotion or piety towards God which effects the whole person, who is shaped by the reality of God and what He has done for us, and seeks to resemble Him in whatever ways finite human beings can".

(2) Godliness must be taught (1, 2, 3, 7, 9 and 15)

(3) Godliness is for everyone in the church

- a. Older Men (2)
- b. Older Women (3-4a)
- c. Younger women (4b-5)
- d. Young Men (6-7)
- e. Slaves (9-10)

(4) Godliness is pursued because of God's Grace (11-14)

- a. God's past grace has redeemed us (11 and 14[a])
- b. God's present grace is reforming us (12 and 14[b])
- c. God's future grace will restore us (13)

(5) Godliness is the answer to hypocrisy