# Sermon Notes September 15, 2024 Summer Series: Titus "Founded, Empowered, Devoted"

#### Week 1:

We need to understand our <u>role</u> and <u>purpose</u> within a <u>local</u> congregation so that a greater <u>experience</u> of God's <u>grace</u> and <u>peace</u> can happen.

#### Week 2:

Even if we are <u>never</u> called to the <u>position</u> of <u>elder</u>, each of us should <u>strive</u> for <u>godly</u> character.

# Week 3:

God has **empowered** us through the **Holy Spirit** to **produce** and **display** this his **goodness**.

#### Week 4:

Scripture Focus: Titus 3:1-15

Paul's <u>final</u> point is that we are to be <u>prepared</u> and <u>devoted</u> to doing <u>good works</u>.

# v.1-11

A Christian is to be a <u>submissive</u> and <u>obedient</u> citizen, who does <u>not speak evil</u> and who <u>avoids quarreling</u>.

A Christian is to be **gentle**, **courteous**, and not **led** by their **old self**, because we are a **new creation** through **Jesus**.

Scripture Reference: 2nd **Corinthians** 5:17

We live this <u>new creation</u> life through the <u>righteousness</u> of <u>Jesus</u>, the <u>richness</u> of the <u>Holy Spirit</u>, and <u>devoted</u> to <u>good</u> works.

# v. 12-15

**Devotion** to good works gives us the ability to respond to **urgent** situations because we're **actively relying** on God.

God is calling us to a life **founded** on the **righteousness** of Jesus, **empowered** by the Holy Spirit, and **devoted** to the **good works** that he is doing.

# Challenge:

In light of the political landscape we are in, walk back through the passage and ask God what unprofitable thing you are doing that needs to be avoided.