

ABC STUDY: TITUS CHAPTER 3

A TITLE

Doing What Is Good

B BREAKDOWN

- v.1-2 Reminder to submit to authorities
- v.3 Remembered our sinful past
- v.4-7 Recounting the transformation of grace that entered our lives
- v.8 Rationale for doing good
- v.9-11 Reason for avoiding controversies
- v.12-15 Farewell and repeat of need to do good

C CENTRAL VERSE

'But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life' v.4-7

D DEVELOPMENT

The refrain in this chapter of the contrast between our past when we were in sin and what has happened to us is entirely on the kindness and love and mercy of God. Furthermore the repeated call from Paul to Titus to teach the church to do good is even more vividly apparent due to our past.

E EMINENT TRUTH

The basis of change in our calling and practices has to do with the mercies and kindness of God and hence our current call to do good is in response to this grace and love which we don't deserve.

F FINAL APPLICATION

Contrast our past and our present, and our present and our future. Examine our past practices and our present attempts to live up to our calling. Is there a motivational reason to do good?