
Points To Remember

January 17	Sanctuary	Chapel
Worship Pastor	Jimmy Kim	Tony Thomas
Worship Leaders	Kevin Chung, Collin Baxter & Laura Story Elvington	Cameron Bible

Series: Salt and Light: God's Vision for the Church

Sermon: The Doctrine of the Church

Scripture: Titus 2

Teaching: Jeff Norris

Why is teaching what accords to sound doctrine so important?

1. Because the nature of the human heart is to reject sound doctrine.
2. Because the way we live has everything to do with sound doctrine.

Sound doctrine, _____, produces an increasingly godly life in a godless world.

Titus 2 (ESV)

2 But as for you, teach what accords with sound doctrine. ² Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness. ³ Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good, ⁴ and so train the young women to love their husbands and children, ⁵ to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled. ⁶ Likewise, urge the younger men to be self-controlled. ⁷ Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity, ⁸ and sound speech that cannot be condemned, so that an opponent may be put to shame, having nothing evil to say about us. ⁹ Bondservants are to be submissive to their own masters in everything; they are to be well-pleasing, not argumentative, ¹⁰ not pilfering, but showing all good faith, so that in everything they may adorn the doctrine of God our Savior'

¹¹ For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, ¹² training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, ¹³ waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, ¹⁴ who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

¹⁵ Declare these things; exhort and rebuke with all authority. Let no one disregard you.

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Important Announcements

(For a full listing, subscribe to the Pulse, our weekly newsletter; go to perimeter.org/Pulse)

Save The Date For A Special Vision Awareness Night

Sunday, January 31, 8:00 PM

Moving into this new year, we, as a church, will celebrate how God answered our prayers in 2020 and consider where God may be leading us. Mark your calendars for a special vision night and look for more details to come.

Navigating Your Finances

Groups are forming now.

Join us via Zoom for a nine-week study to examine God's role in our finances. This transformative course can help us apply the biblical principles of stewardship. Learn more and register today at perimeter.org/navigating.

Women's Ministry Reveals New Theme

Monday, January 25, 8:00 PM, on Facebook Live

We invite you to gather with some girlfriends or watch on your own as we unveil our theme for this ministry year through Facebook Live. Please register for this free event. There will be games and fun giveaways! Register today at perimeter.org/womenscelebration.

Prepare Your Heart For Communion

Sunday, January 24, in all services

On January 24, we will celebrate communion together as a church family during our services. Members worshipping at home can pick up the communion elements for home use via a drive-through distribution. Learn more at perimeter.org/communion.

Perimeter School: Enriching Academics And Authentic Community

Perimeter School establishes life-long learners and kingdom builders through covenant education for students in kindergarten through eighth grade. Applications are now being accepted. Visit perimeterschool.org/apply to learn more and to apply.

Church Offices Closed Monday, January 18

The church offices are closed this Monday, January 18, as we observe Martin Luther King Day. Our offices will reopen Tuesday, January 19 at 8:30 AM.

Redemptive Unity Seminar Videos Are Now Available Online

Watch the seminar from last fall to deepen your understanding of issues related to redemptive unity. In these three sessions, Dr. Carl Ellis addresses the cultural divides in America, emphasizing the importance of centrality in Scripture and unity within the body of Christ. You can learn more and watch these seminars at perimeter.org/ruseminar.

Zealous for Good Deeds

Evangelical Christians know that we're saved by God's grace, that salvation is received by faith, and it's not as a result of our own good works (Eph. 2:8-9). Presbyterians know that the elect were chosen by God before creation (Eph. 1:4), and that if we're among His elect, nothing we do or fail to do can ever change that; we're eternally secure in Christ. So, what's the purpose of good works in the life of a believer and in the church?

In some Christian circles, there's a myth that as long as you've prayed the "Sinner's Prayer" and professed faith in Jesus, it doesn't matter how you live your life, but that's a complete misinterpretation of the grace of God. God's grace sets us free from sin so we might live for Him (Rom. 6:12-13). In Titus, Paul wrote, "The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age..." and Jesus Christ "gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, *zealous for good deeds*" (Tit. 2:11-12, 14).

One of the major themes in Titus is the importance of good deeds. This short, three chapter book, has four passages about good deeds. I've shared one, so here are the others. "In all things show yourself to *be an example of good deeds*, with purity in doctrine, dignified, sound in speech which is beyond reproach, so that the opponent will be put to shame, having nothing bad to say about us" (2:7-8). It's crucial for leaders and all Christians to have exemplary character manifested by good deeds. People watch you in your home, your neighborhood, your workplace. Any one of us might lead someone to Christ, and our deeds are a visible reflection of what we truly believe.

"Remind them to be subject to rulers, to authorities, to be obedient, to *be ready for every good deed*, to malign no one, to be peaceable, gentle, showing every consideration for all men;" and, "Our people must also learn to *engage in good deeds to meet pressing needs*, so that they will not be unfruitful" (3:1-2,14). God wants us to be good neighbors and good citizens, ready and eager to contribute to the welfare of our community through good deeds. As we address pressing needs around us, it will result in fruitful ministry and point others to Christ. If we practice good deeds, we "will adorn the doctrine of God our Savior in every respect" (Tit. 2:10). HH