



Our Motivation for Distinction

TITUS CHAPTER 3

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**WE HAVE A DISTINCTION
PROBLEM.**

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- TITUS 1:1-16

PROBLEMS:

- 1. Not distinctive**
- 2. Distinctive for the wrong reasons**

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MAXIMISE YOUR HEALTHY DISTINCTION.

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- TITUS 2:1-14

SOLUTIONS:

- 1. Clear**
- 2. Consistent**
- 3. Compelling**

Titus 3:1-3

- ▶ ¹ Remind the people to be subject to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready to do whatever is good, ² to slander no one, to be peaceable and considerate, and always to be gentle toward everyone.
- ▶ ³ At one time we too were foolish, disobedient, deceived and enslaved by all kinds of passions and pleasures. We lived in malice and envy, being hated and hating one another.

Who were you before Jesus?

Who would you be
without him?

Titus 3:4-8a

- ▶ ⁴ But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, ⁵ 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, ⁶ whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷ so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.⁸ This is a trustworthy saying.

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**GRACE IS OUR MOTIVATION FOR
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- TITUS 3:1-8

Titus 3:8b

- ▶ And I want you to stress these things, so that those who have trusted in God may be careful to devote themselves to doing what is good. These things are excellent and profitable for everyone.

Titus 3: To Do Good

- ▶ ¹ Remind the people...to be ready to do whatever is good...
- ▶ ⁸...so that those who have trusted in God may be careful to devote themselves to doing what is good.
- ▶ ¹⁴ Our people must learn to devote themselves to doing what is good...

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Relationship comes before
responsibility.

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Issue: Getting the order correct.

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- 1. RELATIONSHIP BEFORE RESPONSIBILITY**
- 2. IDENTITY BEFORE IMPACT**
- 3. COVENANT BEFORE KINGDOM**