

Titus 3:1-8 (ESV)

1 Remind them to

- be submissive to rulers and authorities,
- to be obedient,
- to be ready for every good work,
- 2 to speak evil of no one,
- to avoid quarreling,
- to be gentle,
- and to show perfect courtesy toward all people.

3 For we ourselves were once

- foolish,
- disobedient,
- led astray,
- slaves to various passions and pleasures,
- passing our days in malice and envy,
- hated by others and hating one another.

4 But when

- the goodness
 - and loving kindness
- of God our Savior appeared,

5 **he saved us,**

1. not because of works done by us in righteousness,
2. but according
 - a. to his own mercy,
 - b. by the washing of regeneration
 - c. and renewal of the Holy Spirit,

6 whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior,

7 so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

8 The saying is trustworthy, and I want you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to **devote themselves to good works**. These things are excellent and profitable for people.

Intro:

Can You Explain the Gospel in just a few sentences?

According to TGC “A new survey finds that a majority of people who describe themselves as Christian accept a “works-oriented” means to God’s acceptance.”

- What was our situation before God Intervened? V.3
- What did God do about our Situation? V. 5 **SAVED**
 - Who does the saving? V.5 **GOD**
- Why Does He Save us? V.4, v.5-2
- What reason are NOT why He saved us? v.5-1
- How does He do it? V.5-2b,c - v.6
- To What End? V.7
- How Should We Respond? V.1, v.8
- How to Share the Gospel?
(Taken from Desiring God)
 - 1) God created us for his glory.
 - 2) Therefore every human should live for God’s glory.
 - 3) Nevertheless, we have all sinned and fallen short of God’s glory.
 - 4) Therefore we all deserve eternal punishment.
 - 5) Yet, in his great mercy, God sent his only Son Jesus Christ into the world to provide for sinners the way of eternal life.
 - 6) Therefore eternal life is a free gift to all who will trust in Christ as Lord and Savior and supreme Treasure of their lives.