

Gospel Godliness

Titus 1:1 – ¹Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ for the faith of God’s elect and the knowledge of the truth that leads to godliness

How?

Titus 2:11-14 –¹¹ For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. ¹² It teaches us to say “No” to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, ¹³ while we wait for the blessed hope—the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, ¹⁴ who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

- **The gospel Redirects Worship**

Romans 1:23 – and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things.

- **The gospel Restores Gratefulness**

Romans 1:21 – “...they did not honor him as God or give thanks...”

- **The gospel Raises Expectations**

1 John 3:2-3 – ² Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears[a] we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³ And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Why not religion?

Titus 1:10-16 – ¹⁰ For there are many rebellious people, mere talkers and deceivers, especially those of the circumcision group. ¹¹ They must be silenced, because they are ruining whole households by teaching things they ought not to teach—and that for the sake of dishonest gain... ¹³ Rebuke them sharply, so that they will be sound in the faith ¹⁴ and will pay no attention to Jewish myths or to the commands of those who reject the truth... ¹⁶ They claim to know God, but by their actions they deny him. They are detestable, disobedient and unfit for doing anything good.

What do we do?

1. Evaluate the religious teaching you receive.
2. Evaluate yourself