

## WEEK 7

### DISCUSSION GUIDE

THE BOOK OF  
T·I·T·U·S

#### THIS WEEK

### **BIG IDEA**

God saved us, not because we earned it, but because He loves us.

### **BIBLE**

Titus 3:3-15

### **ABOUT THIS WEEK**

In the final chapter, Paul reminds us of the gospel, how we were lost, but God showed us kindness and saved us. Because of that, we now live differently to show the world who He is.

#### Before the Video:

- **Welcome everyone to the group:** Briefly recap what we're talking about
  - Who was here last week? What do we remember about the book of Titus?
  - Last week we talked about how the way we live can give others an idea of what Jesus is like. How did you live like Jesus this past week?
- **Ask:** Describe a time you experienced kindness from someone. How did it make you feel?
- **Say Something Like:** In this final chapter, Paul reminds us of the gospel-how we were lost, but God showed us kindness and saved us. Because of that, we not live differently to show the world who He is.
- **Read Together:** Titus 3:3-15
- Before we watch the video, what stands out to you about this passage? What questions do you have?

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- **WATCH THE VIDEO:** Session 7 – Titus 3:3-15
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### After the Video:

- **Re-read the passage if you need to.**
  - **Ask:** According to verse 3, what are the eight characteristics Paul used to describe the Cretans' former state apart from Christ?
    - Foolish
    - Disobedient
    - Deceived
    - Enslaved by all kinds of passions and pleasures
    - Malicious
    - Envious
    - Hated by people
    - Filled with hatred towards others
  - Are there any of these that describe how you felt before meeting Jesus? Would someone be willing to explain what that was like?
  - What people or situation did God use to bring you to saving faith?
  - How would your life be different if you weren't a Christian?
  - **Say something like:** Like Chip said, because God saved us from our old, messed-up lives, we should care about people who don't know Him yet—just like He cared enough to rescue us.
  - **Ask:** How could you be more intentional about sharing God's message of forgiveness with others?
  - According to verse 5, who carries out the work of salvation? And how does He do it?
  - According to verse 7, what is the end result of salvation?
  - **Say something like:** Paul makes it clear that we are not saved by doing good, but when we are made right with God the Holy Spirit leads us into good works. As Chip explained, our new life in Christ demands that we share because the kindness we have received from God is one He desires for all of humanity to receive.
  - **Invitation:** Ask if there's anyone in the group who's interested in receiving Christ for the first time.
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### Closing Thoughts:

God doesn't ask us to do good things to *earn* His love—He already gave it to us for free. Instead, we do good to show the world how amazing His grace really is. We share the gospel by what we say *and* by how we live.

God's commands aren't meant to make us feel bad—they're reminders of the incredible love He's shown us. When we truly understand how much mercy God has given us, we'll want to share that same love with others.

Never forget who you used to be, and how far God went to save you. Let His love move through you and into the lives of your friends, family, school, and community. You've been given a mission that matters—helping others see Jesus.

If you haven't already, pass out the Book of Titus bookmarks to every student. Encourage them to put it in their Bibles and remind them to bring their Bibles with them every week of the Summer. If someone in your group doesn't have a Bible, talk to your campus youth pastor about getting them one.

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