

Study Notes for Titus chapter 3

4 Sections to this final chapter:

- **Exhortation to remind the believers to devote themselves to good works, :1-2**
 - **A reminder of our position in Christ as heirs according to the hope of eternal life, :3-9**
 - **A reminder to Titus about what to personally avoid :9-11**
 - **Final instructions and greetings :12-15**
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- What is the best way for believers to show their submission to our governing authorities?
 - How would you personally explain a believer's "right of refusal" if the authorities were to ask us to do or not do something that violates God's Word?
 - **Verse 2** lays out a list of attitudes and behaviors that believers should adopt. Why do you think we find these so challenging?
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- In **verse 3** the Apostle Paul describes a life dominated by sin and carnality. What would you say to a new believer who was tempted to return to those old attitudes and behaviors?
 - Why is it important for believers to leave that kind of life behind?
 - What important point does Paul make about our salvation in **verse 5**?
 - Give a definition of **mercy**.
 - What is "**the washing of regeneration**"?
 - What does it mean to be "**justified by grace**"?
 - What do you think was God's purpose for telling us beforehand that we would be heirs of God?
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- In **verses 9-11** what does Paul warn Titus to avoid?
 - What quarrels and controversies should believers avoid today?
 - How can we recognize someone who is determined to sow seeds of division?
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- In **verse 14** Paul encourages good works so a person's life doesn't end up unfruitful. What causes someone's life to be unfruitful?
 - How can we make sure our lives are bearing fruit for the kingdom of God?