Trained by the Gospel

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[0:00] Good morning, brothers and sisters. It's great to be here this morning and to share God's word with everyone.

This weekend, who went to hear the RZIM talks? Wow, very well. Great. We also had a Chinese speaker with us.

And this year was very special because we had a Mandarin-speaking speaker from RZIM speak at the community center on Friday. I think this is the first time they've had the Mandarin event.

The messages were great and could especially encourage those of us who may have been believers for a long time.

It helped us to think more deeply. Because we've already crossed the open-room. We've already forgotten the open-room. We've already forgotten the open-room. Sometimes after we've become Christians, it's difficult for us to remember what life was like before we accepted Christ.

[1:22] Today, we're going to return to our 2nd verse of the 11-15. Now today, we're looking at Titus chapter 2, verses 11 to 15.

We're going to return to the beginning of the Bible. And this brings us back to where the gospel begins. In the 30 verses that preceded this passage, we've learned a lot about different types of people and roles in the church and the ways in which they serve.

So we've also learned a lot about different types of people and roles in the church and the ways in which they serve. And so in our church, there's been a lot of change as well. Our elders, they need to be hospitable, a lover of good, self-controlled, upright, holy, and disciplined.

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Sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness. Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanders or slaves to much wine.

[3:01] They are to teach what is good and so train the young women to love their husbands and children, to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind and submissive to their husbands. We're also very careful.

And likewise, the younger men in the church are to be self-controlled. How do you feel when you hear that this is how the people in our church are to be?

Now maybe if you're here for the first time, you think, wow, this is great, this is the place to be. This is the place to be.

What a perfect church. But for brothers and sisters who've been in the church for a while, we know that we're moving in this direction, but we're still in the process.

Do you have a lot of questions when you read this passage? In the book, I found there are a few questions that are more difficult to understand.

[4:16] For me, as I read the passage, there are some questions that I find more difficult to understand. In verse 11, it says, For the grace of God has appeared, bring salvation for all people.

In English, it says that salvation is being brought to everyone. But actually, we know that the people in the church are not able to be in the church.

But haven't we also heard that not every single person goes to heaven? How do you understand this passage? So how do you understand? And we know that in the 30 verses preceding, it talks a lot about behavior.

But we know that our salvation is not by our works, but by God's grace.

So what does all this mean to us? Today, we need to think about another thing. And another thing we want to think about and understand today is how do we be trained by the gospel?

[5:46] Now, let's first discuss, is this salvation for every single person? Is everyone going to be saved?

In the gospel of Matthew, Our Lord Jesus said, Not everyone who says to me, Lord, Lord, We'll enter the kingdom of heaven.

But the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day, Many will say to me, Lord, Did we not prophesy in your name?

And cast out demons in your name? And do mighty, Many mighty works in your name? That's when I was to tell them. And then will I declare to them, I never knew you.

Depart from me, You workers of lawlessness. In this case, We see that we were to that time, God was to judge us by our works.

[7:12] And it seems as though God will judge us by our works. These are all the challenges for us. So this is really a challenge for us, Theologically.

The question is, Is salvation for every single person? Will everybody be saved? This just

Maybe it's lunch time soon and people will be hungry.

Now, let's say,I had an oven here,

Unless God changes us, and changes our hearts, and what we long for, we're not going to go touch that salvation

transformation of our hearts

11, Says, For the grace of God has

appeared,

The word has appeared, It's like there was a darkness, But light has now appeared in the darkness

And when the light shines here in this darkness, Can everyone see it?

This light, for thousands of years, people were waiting for it, waiting on it.

Eden,mankind has been waiting.

It is the core of our gospel. And that's the core of our gospel. The gospel is Christ being born suffering dying being raised from the dead and ascending into heaven.

[14:06] He came from heaven to earth to live among us. He came from heaven to earth to live among us. And He brought salvation to us.

This is the Lord Jesus' coming for the first time. In the 13th chapter, we tell the Lord Jesus' coming for the first time. Then we see in verse 13, there is a second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ.

This is the first coming of the Lord Jesus. It is the second coming of the Lord Jesus. He says, we are waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ.

This is the second coming of the Lord Jesus. The first coming of the Lord Jesus Christ is the first coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. In His first coming, He calls us to believe on Him to be saved.

But we are not fully saved yet. We are still waiting for the completion of our salvation.

[15:22] This is the first coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. And now, we are living in the first coming of the Lord Jesus Christ.

And the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. And in this period, we are living in the first coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. And how should we live during this in-between time? How can we live to be a testimony to the Lord?

And how are our lives to be transformed? This is what we are telling us in this verse. And that's what these verses here are telling us.

Because when Jesus Christ first comes to us, we know that we are all from the faith. Because we are all from the faith to be a person. When the Lord Jesus Christ came the first time, we were saved through faith by His grace.

In this verse, we see the 30-day Bible verses in the Bible. And then, in the 30 verses before this passage, there are so many different codes of behavior, of how we should behave.

But in this verse, we are thinking, we are not using the faith to be a person. And why are we giving these things to be a person? But if we are saved by grace, then why are there so many different works and behavioral codes that we should follow?

So, in this verse, we see the faith and the works are in conflict? But in this verse, we see the faith and the works are in conflict?

We see the faith and the works are in conflict? When we look at the whole of Scripture, we understand that faith and the works are two sides of one coin. This is a Hong Kong one dollar coin.

It is a Hong Kong one dollar coin. Wow! That looks like a nicer coin on stage. It's cleaner than mine. And a coin, it has a front and a back.

If I have a very fine saw, and I could cut the coin right down the middle in half.

[17:52] One side is faith and the other side is works. One side is a very good faith and the other side is a very good faith.

And another one, I have a very good faith and the other side. Then I'll have two pieces. One piece is a very complete and beautiful faith. On the other side is a very complete and beautiful works.

But this kind of thing, I'll cut it out and it's like this. And so if I split the coin, maybe I have two sides like this.

One side is a very good faith. And the other side is a very good faith. If I take this kind of coin, and I go to a small store to buy things, the other side is a very good faith.

Now let's say I took a coin, or one side of the coin, and I went to the grocery store. What do you think the cashier would say? Again, one side is a fake. Why?

[19:01] She might say get out of here. What? This is fake money. This is fake money. This is fake money.

You can't use that here. It's not real money. So when I first thought that this was **THE** me, two of the two parts of my mind. That's muitos pages. That's just what we can age.

And so the fact is for us.	
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Jeremiah chapter 10 verse 24 for example lord but in justice not in your anger lest you bring me to nothing ______ _______ ___________ ______ It says now the works of the flesh are evident impurity, sensuality jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions■■,■■,■■■Envy, drunkenness, orgies and things like these I warned you before That those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of And so verse 12 tells us that As we're being trained We need to say no to certain thingssuch as these things yes to certain thingsother things upright and godly lives in the present age about our controlling ourselves self-controlledBut we all know how hard it is to actually be self-controlled this Pokemon For me, I'm addicted to gardeningI mean, internet gardening you water the little plants and they grow this So in this case, I think it's very wasteful of our time And so sometimes I struggle with thisYou this go and what are my plans But one day you know, God's grace applied itself to suddenly I wasn't doing this anymorel didn't go in and what are these plants know, it's not just watering these plantsIt's also going and like conquering these different kingdomsAnd going to battle on the clarification, this is not a girly gameThis is a manly game

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that It is very difficult to be self-controlled But by God's help, we grow in being

grace

self-controlled

I can think of an example of God's

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death But God had His only beloved sonTo die for unworthy people like us Usual His god you're in the finance industry You would think this is not a good trade You would not complete that transaction But Would you receive that gift?

When you receive the

And the greatest commandment in the Biblels to love the Lord your GodWith all your heart and all your soulAnd all your mind and strengthAnd to love your neighbor as yourself

think

Oh but my apartment is too smallMaybe one day when I have a big houseThen I can be hospitableBut that's a lieBut that's a lieBecause often when you spend so much timeTrying to make money to get a big houseYou don't have time to enjoy that house the solution of the solution of the main and the nannySo we're not in the houseBing be in the houseBing be in the houseBut on what we have And to give thanks to God for what we have.

[39:17] And to use all we have to love those around us. If your dining table only fits two more people, then just invite two others.

If you do that ten times, you've had twenty people over. If you do that a hundred times, that's two hundred people. One hundred times, that's the whole people.

And when you're done, everybody in this church is your friend. Often we train ourselves from the small things.

Sometimes we just have our time, or our money, or our small family. To give this all to God.

To give this all to God. To give this all to God. To give this all to God. But we can offer all of this to the Lord, to be used by Him. And this is training ourselves to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly.

[40:32] I think that I've seen a lot of years. I've seen a movie called The Princess Diaries. Several years ago, I watched a movie called The Princess Diaries. And it's amazing how the person at the beginning, the person at the beginning of the film, how can that be the same person as the person at the end of the film?

The person in the beginning doesn't look and act like royalty at all. But then she becomes someone who really appears the part.

When she was told who she was, and she understood that she was royalty.

She went through much training to become someone who acted accordingly. Actually, we're even farther from who we should be than she was.

We start out like that thief on the cross, deserving of death. But now we're called children of God.

[42:00] That's a very high position. We need to be trained to look like people who are sons and daughters of God.

And here we are. That's the reason why we're being trained to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly. We need to be trained to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly. People who are changed by the gospel.

People who are changed by the gospel. Just like the Lord Jesus Christ who is not good to die, and who is not good to die. We need to learn from our Lord Jesus Christ who gave himself for unworthy sinners to save us.

We need to be trained to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly. And so that's the message I have to share with everyone today.

Let's pray. Thank you, Precious Father. Thank you for your grace. Thank you for giving us the Lord Jesus Christ. Thank you for giving us the Lord Jesus Christ.

[43:15] Thank you for giving us the Lord Jesus Christ for unworthy people such as we are. Lord, would you continue to work in our hearts and change us from the inside out.

Let us be trained to be your true children. Train us so that we can really be and act as your sons and daughters. Our hearts and hearts and hearts and hearts and hearts and hearts and hearts.

Lord, help us to live lives in this present age that are self-controlled, upright, and godly. It's in the Lord Jesus Christ's name we pray. Amen. Lord, amen.

And that we hast a word. Amen. Now, you gotta know that then, Lord your God. Lord your we virs will be known as our sono and of those of you. Amen. Remember you? For absolutely. Amen. Thanks, Lord your name and have That. Lord the Father, alright, amen.

You may end up to die. You may ■■■■ do with an album usister. I pray that you try to value us. God, He serery, colleagues, heard us.

[44:16] Whether you're doing