

# Motives for Living Correctly

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## Introduction

1. Text Titus 2:11-14
2. Being moral is not good enough, it involves doing good Titus 2:14
3. Actions are influenced by faith or belief therefore it is important to believe what God says
4. What will keep us going for God?
  - a. Is it more committees, programs, projects, or fun and games
  - b. The power to move us is in God's Word Romans 1:16; Hebrews 4:12
  - c. God's Word can change spots, melt the heart, or cut to the heart
5. Four things to help motivate us to live for God

## II Discussion

1. What is to motivate us God's grace 2:11
  - a. This is what has given to us, will we use it
  - b. Four things about this grace
    - i. Grace brought salvation
      1. Hebrews 2:1-4 so great salvation
      2. To see this greatness we must understand we are lost
    - ii. The Grace has appeared
      1. Appear means to shine Luke 1:79
      2. Appear is used also in Acts 27:20
      3. This grace is not a vague notion, it is reality Hebrews 2:9 seen in the death of Jesus
    - iii. This grace teaches us
      1. To deny ungodliness Jude 15, 18
      2. Worldly lust 1 John 2:15-17
    - iv. We are to be looking for something
2. The Time to be motivated is now 2:12 in this present world
  - a. There is urgency in the work of the Lord John (:4
  - b. If you knew you would die today, what would you do?
  - c. There is no second chance
3. The Why we are to be motivated 2:13
  - a. The Lord is coming again Acts 1:11-12
  - b. One is every 25 verses deals with the second coming
  - c. We should live in anticipation of the Lord's return Revelation 22:20
    - i. We are to watch for it Matthew 25:13
    - ii. We are to look for it Hebrews 9:28
    - iii. We are to love His appearing 2 Timothy 4:7-8
4. The Who are to be motivated 2:14
  - a. Because He gave himself for us 2:14
  - b. He redeemed us 1 Peter 1:18-19; Acts 20:28
  - c. Those who use the grace of God are God's special people 2:14
    - i. We are the subjects of God's love 1 John 3:1-3
    - ii. We are heirs with Him Romans 8:14-17

## III Conclusion

1. We have seen what motivated us to live the Christian life

2. We have the strength and the power to serve Him every day
3. Are you one of God's special people today
4. You can be by using God's grace, having faith, repenting confessing and being baptized
5. If you have done that but have lost your motivation, then again use God's grace and come back to Him
6. Come now!

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