TEACHINGS OF GRACE

Titus 2

(Brief outline, add own comments)

Introduction: Define "Grace." Discuss grace received. Use your own introduction.

1. SOME THINGS GRACE TEACHES TO DENY

- 1. To deny power or weakness.
- 2. To pity the person who cannot say "NO!"
- 3. To deny the desire form strong drink.
- 4. To deny strong desire or lust.
- 5. To be able to deny wrong things, to say "NO!"
- 6. "...By the grace of God, I am what I am..."

2. GRACE TEACHES HOW TO LIVE

- 1. One of the greatest mistakes (blunders) of all is to profess Christ's name, be baptized and then live as you please.
- 2. IF one is a true child of God, IF one is saved, IF Christ really be in a person, THEN every sinful deed and thought will pierce that person's heart and soul.
- 3. Before being saved, there is nothing that a person can do that will save him/her. God does not ask for a person to try to do his/her best to be saved, but God expects perfection! Perfection like Himself.
 - No person is perfect and therefore doomed to eternal separation from God.
 - No character will save a person, BUT after being saved, God will give TRUE character.

3. GOD'S GRACE WILL TEACH

- 1. God's grace will teach a person how to keep his/her feet in the paths of righteousness.
- 2. God's grace will teach a person how to live a life of godliness.
- 3. God's grace will teach a person how to be "christian" under ALL circumstances.
- 4. God's grace will teach a person "HOW TO LIVE!"

CONCLUSION:

- 1. "Grace" from God is His undeserved, unearned favor and His love.
- 2. Christians are people who have received, experienced God's unmeasurable grace in that they have had their sins forgiven, been adopted into God's family, indwelt by God's Holy Spirit and have a home awaiting them in heaven where they will have new bodies, and a new name.
- 3. Christians are expected by God to live with the attitude of "grace" and to show "grace" to all those around them just as they have received grace from God.
- 4. Have YOU experienced God's marvelous grace? If so, are YOU living in grace, and passing grace on to those around you?