"GROWING A HEALTHY CHURCH" (part 5) "Wanted: "A Productive Church" (Titus 3:1-8)

- After spending 2 chapters instructing believers how to relate to one another, Titus 3 opens with instructions for relating to a pagan world around us.
- "Good works" is a 2 word summary of our responsibility to others. What makes works "GOOD" in the sight of God?
- We have a Solemn CHARGE to obey (3:1-2)
 -Issues of Titus's day are very relevant for 2022...

-A series of short, rapid-fire reminders:

- A. "be subject to rulers...be obedient" (3:1)
- B. "be ready for every good work" (3:1)
- C. "malign no one" (3:2)
- D. "be peaceable" (3:2)
- E. "be gentle, showing consideration for all men"
- II. We have a Sinful PAST to remember (3:3)

- A. "foolish"
- B. "disobedient"
- C. "deceived"
- D. "enslaved"
- E. "spending our life in malice"
- F. "spending our life...in envy"
- G. "hateful, hating one another"

III. We have a Saving MESSAGE to proclaim (3:4-7)

A. God	our salvation (3:4)
B. The basis for our salvation is	(3:5a)
C. God's Spirit is the	of our salvation (3:5b-6

D. The of our salvation are awesome (3:7)

IV. We have a Serious MISSION to fulfill (3:8)

-"trustworthy statement"

-"speak confidently"

- -"be careful to engage in good works"
- -I Timothy 3:15; Matthew 5:11-16