

USELESS OR USEFUL IN GOD'S WORK?

TITUS 3:8-11, 14
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Introduction:

- While you were not saved **by** your good works, did you know that you were saved **unto** good works?
- *"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them."* **Ephesians 2:10**
- Titus describes two kinds of people in our text. One is valuable to the work of God and one is absolutely useless.

Three ways to be useless in God's work

First, possess an argumentative spirit. vs. 9a

- This kind of person is _____ to any local assembly.

Second, exhibit an _____ spirit. vs. 9b-10

- The ordinances and commands of Israel's _____ were given to Israel, not to the Gentiles, nor the church today.
- *"Who are Israelites; to whom pertaineth the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service of God, and the promises."* **Romans 9:4**

Third, demonstrate a _____-willed spirit. vs. 11

Three ways to be useful in God's work

First, possess a _____ for good works. 2:14

- There should be a strong _____ on the part of the believer to serve the Lord.

Second, be _____ to do good works. 3:1

- "Good works" carries the idea that we are doing something in the name of our Lord for someone else.
- We take the blessings of God and use them to bless others. You were _____ in Christ to be a blessing to others.

Third, exhibit _____ in doing good works. 3:8, 14

- God created you to be _____, and when you are actively engaged in good works, you are useful and profitable in God's work.

- God did not save you ____ your good works, but He saved you to ____ good works.