

Dig Deeper @Home – Generation Now

Complement to lesson on 07/31/22 – “When Generations Combine”

ICE BREAKER – Questions to open dialogue and learn more about those gathered

1. What generation are you from and what is your view about social media?
2. If you wanted to communicate with someone, would you email, text, call or stop by to talk in person?

MEMORIZE – Psalm 79:13

But we your people, the sheep of your pasture, will give thanks to you forever; from generation to generation we will recount your praise

READ – Titus 1

Questions to ponder/discuss:

1. What does the Holy Spirit draw your attention to as you read these passages?
 - a. What sticks out to you?
 - b. Is anything repeated? Contrasted? Compared?
 - c. Identify 10 questions from the verses you read
 - d. What is the passage revealing about God? About people? In light of these, what needs to change in your life?
2. What is the connection between sound doctrine and good works?
3. In verse 13, Paul encourages Titus to give a sharp rebuke. What is the rebuke about? How do verses 8 and 9 provide instruction for what/how this rebuke should look and not look?

EXPERIENTIAL ACTIVITY – The Evidence of Works

Read again Titus 1:16. Here is an optional activity to experience what this verse is saying. Play a game of charades with friends/family. Tell them the category is household chores. You will do 5 charades and see if they can guess it. Pick whatever 5 chores you want but here's the thing: make sure what you act out is completely different. For example, have the chore being "washing dishes" and then act out sweeping the floor or folding laundry. The point is that our acted works are completely contrary to our written works. After doing the 5, spend some time relating the activity to Titus 1:16.

1. How did this activity demonstrate what Paul was saying in Titus 1:16?
2. In what ways are your actions inconsistent/contrary to your stated beliefs?
3. Look at the list of attributes given in Titus 2. Which one do you need the Holy Spirit to grow in you more this week? Who in your life models this attribute that you could ask to mentor/help you grow in it?

SING (Suggested songs to sing. Use these, or any favorites of the gathered group, to worship Jesus!)

And Can it Be – <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sbx6RNeV-o0>

He Shall Reign - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oW7PcW9xfvE>

I Wanna be like Jesus - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LUEffGGdmc>

So let our Lips and Lives Express – Mennonite Hymnal #327

PRAY

This is a time to gather around for prayer requests and to share how you have seen God at work. A time to hear where God is showing up in our lives and where we need Him to help us in our lives.

Sending prayer based on the series:

Holy Spirit, help our actions this week to be consistent with the words and actions of Christ Jesus our King. May we reflect Him more and more to others where we live, work, go to school and play.