

Part 7

Titus 2:7-10

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7 Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity, 8 and sound speech that cannot be condemned, so that an opponent may be put to shame, having nothing evil to say about us.

## Titus 2:9-10

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"Let each person lead the life that the Lord has assigned to him, and to which God has called him. This is my rule in all the churches... Each one should remain in the condition in which he was called. Were you a bondservant when called? Do not be concerned about it. (But if you can gain your freedom, avail yourself of the opportunity.)" (1 Corinthians 7:17, 20-21)

"For he who was called in the Lord as a bondservant is a freedman of the Lord. Likewise he who was free when called is a bondservant of Christ. You were bought with a price; do not become bondservants of men. So, brothers, in whatever condition each was called, there let him remain with God."

 $(1 \overline{\text{Corinthians } 7:22-24})$ 

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- WELL-PLEASING
  - Offering acceptable service; meeting expectations in a satisfactory fashion

"Bondservants, obey in everything those who are your earthly masters, not by way of eye-service, as people-pleasers, but with sincerity of heart, fearing the Lord. Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ." (Colossians 3:22-24

- NOT ARGUMENTATIVE
  - No knee-jerk defiance, resistance, grumbling, insubordination, or behind-the-back slander

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- NOT STEALING
  - No petty theft or egregious embezzlement
  - Not seeking to secure your future at the expense of the company's

- SHOWING ALL GOOD FAITH
  - Total trustworthiness & reliability
  - Complete faithfulness with respect to what is good

... So that in everything they may adorn the beauty of the gospel.

The vast majority of us work in secular places of business. Most of your coworkers will not walk through the doors of the church. It will take you inviting them. It will take you sharing the hope you've found in Jesus. But for the gospel to get a hearing in your workplace, your life must serve to adorn its beauty.





