

Faithfulness

Lesson 6 • Godliness in Action • Titus 3:4–15

From Forgiven to Faithfulness



Philemon, Titus, and 2 Timothy focus upon *forgiveness, righteousness & faithfulness.* We enter upon the Christian life as God grants us <u>forgiveness</u> in Jesus Christ. As we grow in Christ, our lives become increasingly characterized by <u>righteousness</u>. And God expects <u>faithfulness</u> from us, His servants, until He takes us home to heaven.

NIV Study Bible:

Godliness – A key word (along with "godly") in the Pastorals, occurring <u>eight times</u> in 1 Timothy (2:2; 3:16; 4:7-8; 6:3, 5-6, 11), <u>once</u> in 2 Timothy (3:5) and <u>once</u> in Titus (1:1), but nowhere else in the writings of Paul. It implies a good and holy life, with special emphasis on its source, a deep reverence for God.



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"Two comings of Christ are like two windows. Thru the western window a solemn light streams from Mt. Calvary. Through the eastern window shines the light of a brighter day. And it is because of these two windows that the present age is well lit for the believer. Centered on the cross, focused on the future; we cannot afford to do without the light coming from both directions."

The Message of 1 Timothy and Titus (BST)
John R. W. Stott



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The Reconciliation/Discipline Dynamic as Outlined by Jesus in Matthew 18:15-20

