

Things to consider from Sunday's message for meditation, conversation and fellowship:

1. Timothy and Titus were both given a responsibility of equipping and establishing the church in Ephesus and Crete (1 Tim. 1; Titus 1).
 - A. Have you ever been given a responsibility that was beyond your abilities? What was that task?
 - B. How did you respond in that situation?
 - C. What did you learn from the experience?
2. Both Timothy and Titus were instructed to establish Elders and Deacons/Deaconesses out of the membership of the church. Their qualifications are given in the letter that Paul wrote to them (1 Tim 3; Titus 1). Re-read the qualifications.
 - A. How do the qualifications apply to all of the church members?
 - B. What stands out as unique toward the office of Elder and Deacon/Deaconesses?
 - C. How does the nature of the church (Member, Elder, Deacon) reflect the nature of the Trinity?
 - D. How do the roles and responsibilities of the Trinity effect the roles and responsibilities of the church (equality and oneness with diversity in roles and responsibilities)?
 - E. How does your understanding of the Trinity influence your view of gender roles in the functionality of the home, of the church (equality and oneness with diversity in roles and responsibilities)?
3. God gifts His children for the building up and beautification of the church.
 - A. How is your involvement in church beneficial to the spiritual life of others?

Our gospel is ***the good news of the glory of the happy God!*** Our Triune God is beautiful.