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Topic: Studies in Titus - We are Heirs

Text: Titus 3:3-8

1. Unbelieving parents can only leave behind earthly things for their children, which will one day fade away. It is a worthless and vain inheritance. But those who believe in Jesus Christ will receive an inheritance that will not be destroyed. It is a priceless inheritance.
2. We were once not heirs because we were living in our sins (v3). Paul spoke of the characteristics of the believers before their point of salvation. They were children of disobedient and wrath because they were not part of the heavenly family. Their labour is only to fulfil the lust of the flesh, lust of the eye and pride of life. This is also what we were like before salvation. We deserve punishment and did nothing to receive the glorious inheritance of God.
3. We are made heirs because of the kindness and love of God (v4). God sent His Son, Jesus Christ, who was born to die on the cross for our sins. There is no other way to be heirs and get to Heaven other than through Jesus Christ. He washed us clean by His Word and renewed us such that we have a new life (v5-6). Therefore, we are justified and enriched as heirs (v7). We become heirs of the sure hope of everlasting life. The Christian will never die. This is the greatest inheritance we can ever receive.
4. We must live as heirs if we are truly heirs (v8). The church of Crete had to stop living like the world. They had to exhibit the fruit of the Spirit and maintain good works. Only heirs of God can do good works to glorify God. It is profitable for the believer as it is our duty, and also profitable for the people of this world as it demonstrates the beauty of Christ.

*Cling on to the reality that we will one day be a citizen of Heaven*