

## EPIPHANIES—JOY TO THE WORLD!

Titus 2:11-14

Oakridge Community Church

Questions for Consideration and Discussion

### Introduction:

1. Epiphany – appearing, coming into view
2. Acts 27:20
3. Romans 3:10-18; 5:18, 10

### I. GOD’S GRACE IS SALVATION TO ALL MANKIND 2:11

A. Revelation 20:15; Matthew 7:13

B. 1 Timothy 4:10

1. Common grace – undeserved temporal blessings on all
2. Special grace – spiritually-saving grace granting eternal life

### II. GOD’S GRACE TRAINS ALL BELIEVERS 2:12-14

A. What not to do 2:12

1. Continue in ungodliness
2. Continue in worldly desires

B. What to do

1. Live lives of self-control – Romans 12:3; 1 Peter 4:7
2. Live uprightly – Ezekiel 36:27
3. Live godly – 2 Timothy 3:12; Luke 2:34-35
4. Live in anticipation of Christ’s next appearing 2:13-14

### Conclusion

1. Luke 1:32-33
2. Matthew 1:21

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1. *Grace* is a much-used word with many different meanings in our day. What is the Biblical meaning of the word? How does that meaning magnify God? How does that meaning affect you?
2. What are some of the ways in which God extends common grace to all people? On what basis can God show common grace to all people—even to condemned sinners?
3. What makes God’s spiritually-saving grace even more amazing than His common grace?
4. Would we be correct in saying that God’s spiritually-saving grace is also always a spiritually-training grace? Why or why not?
5. Why is it a matter of grace for God to train us to refrain from ungodliness and worldly desires? Why is it a matter of grace for Him to train us to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives?
6. What does it look like to live in eager anticipation of Christ’s next epiphany? Does this characterize your life?