## **MAINTAIN GOOD WORKS TITUS 3:8**

## **Empowered by God**

I. The Power of Resurrection (Ephesians 1:17-20)

- Paul prayed for the Ephesians to be granted wisdom and knowledge. A.
- B. Thus enlightened by the Gospel, they could know three things:
  - The hope of His calling 1.
  - The riches of the glory of His inheritance 2.
  - The exceeding greatness of His power toward the believer 3.
- C. The power described was demonstrated in the resurrection and ascension of Jesus.
  - Can any greater miracle be performed? 1.
  - Is there any greater demonstration of power (cf. John 7:31)? 2.
- D. This power has been directed toward the Christian in resurrecting him from spiritual death in sin (Eph. 2:1-10).
- This power will be directed toward the Christian in resurrecting him from the grave at E. the Lord's return (Rom. 8:10-11).
- F. This power is directed toward the Christian now through the Gospel:
  - In maturing spiritually (Eph. 3:16-21) 1.
  - In transforming behavior (Eph. 4:20-24) 2.
  - In walking faithfully (Eph. 5:8-17) 3.
  - 4. In resisting temptation (Eph. 6:10-20)
- II. The Power of Righteousness
  - Not by human reckoning А.
  - В. Not by the Law of Moses
  - C. The righteousness of God by faith through the Gospel – justification by obedience
  - D. True righteousness reveals Jesus.
  - E. True righteousness demonstrates power.
  - F. True righteousness demands sacrifice.
  - G. True righteousness produces faithfulness.

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## (Philippians 3:7-14)