



June 5th, 2022

Text - Titus 2

Title: "God's Design for the Local Church"

Outline:

Main idea: God's design for every local church is a multi-generational, multi-ethnic local church

The power of the gospel is displayed through the presence of:

- 1) Old and young
- 2) Men and women
- 3) Bondservants and masters

5 ways Antioch Church can pursue God's design for the local church:

- 1) The older are to seek and mentor the younger.
- 2) The younger are to learn from and care for the older.
- 3) Be content-driven with music.
- 4) Embrace all kinds of diversity in your church.
- 5) Trust in the power of the gospel to unite you.

Potential Discussion Questions

- Facilitators: When we preach each week, we do so with confidence that God's word will impact and change lives (Isaiah 55:11). We don't want to rehash the sermon but allow those impacted to share. Therefore it is important to allow time for this question at the beginning: What impacted you the most from the sermon?
- Brian said that many churches are made up of a single generation: either all older people or all younger people. Each group then often believes the other group is the hindrance to the church. Why do you think this is?
- Read Titus 2:1-15. What do you observe about God's design for a local church?
- Brian gave us two exhortations from the passage. Take a moment to do both as a group:
  - Celebrate the evidence of God's grace and work in this church. Where do you see Titus 2:1-15 already reflected in Antioch? (be specific)
  - Consider how God is moving in your heart. How does he want you to further cultivate Titus 2:1-15 in Antioch? (be specific)

Next Sunday's Sermon Passage: Genesis 42:1-38