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But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life. Titus 3:4–7

We are justified only by the grace of God. We cannot earn salvation. It is a gift. But like any other gift, how you use it determines the value of the gift. Even salvation is without value if you choose to ignore it. Putting that gift to use, repenting and converting, that makes the gift valuable. You would not leave a gift in the box or on the shelf somewhere, never to be used. That dishonors the giver as well as the gift. The Gift is Jesus, born into the world and given entirely for your salvation. Do not leave it on the shelf. Wear that gift proudly and use it daily.

Go raibh síocháin Chríost a bheith in éineacht leat.

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