

Deacon's Beacons

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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

What is presented here is a clear argument that we are saved by grace and the mercy of God. No one should disagree with that. We cannot do anything to merit salvation. It is a free gift from God. What we can do is turn our backs on that gift. While the most dramatic example of this is someone who refuses to believe, one who says he believes but does nothing about the aspects of his life that are in tension with that faith is just as guilty of denying the gift. We are not saved by our works but our works can condemn us if they do not reflect the faith that we claim.

Go raibh síocháin Chríost a bheith in éineacht leat.

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