

The Mark of the Church

PASTOR MIKE YODER • 1 TIMOTHY 3:14-16



WARM UP

What is your favorite thing about Spring?

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

Recharge • Recharge is respite care for families of children with special needs and their siblings one Saturday a month from 4:00–7:30 p.m. Children hear a Bible story, play, eat pizza, and have fun with loving volunteers while parents get to recharge by themselves. There are new families at Grace who would benefit from our Recharge ministry, but help is needed to offer them this much-needed time out. Please pray about serving and contact Kathy Wagner (Kathy.Wagner@gracepolaris.org) with questions or for more info.

WITNESS

- Who are the people in your sphere of influence you're praying will come to know Jesus or are seeking to share the Gospel with?
- Share any progress/updates. Pray together for God to use you and your Grace Group to influence these people for Jesus.

EXPLORE

- 1 What resonated with you from the sermon?
- 2 When you think of "household," what comes to mind (3:15)? How does Paul apply it? Explain. What impact does this have on your understanding of the church?
- 3 How has your understanding of the church's conduct, ownership, and purpose changed since listening to the sermon? Explain.
- 4 If the church either fails to sustain or misrepresents the truth, does it have a reason to exist? Explain.
- 5 How do many of the instructions from 1 Timothy 1–3, on various roles and qualifications for church leaders, result in our godliness? How could ignoring these good instructions lead to behavior unbecoming of the household of God?
- 6 How does the ministry of Jesus, described in verse 16, lead us to a more God-centered and Christ-empowered life? Read Colossians 1:15–23. How does this passage connect to verse 16 and lead us to greater worship of Christ to God's glory?
- 7 How do you sense the Lord leading you to apply this passage?

PRAY

Pray that the way you live and speak would glorify God and be a light to those in the church and those outside the church.

COMING UP

GRACEPOLARIS.ORG/CALENDAR

Passion Week Devotional Sunday, March 24–Sunday, March 31 • In preparation for Resurrection Sunday, take time to quiet your heart and reflect on Jesus and the significance of His death and resurrection. This devotional is made just for that purpose. Our prayer is that in reflecting on the implications of the resurrection, you would gain a deeper understanding of the sacrifice Jesus made and your faith would be strengthened and encouraged. Sign up to receive daily emails at GracePolaris.org/Devotional or text DEVOTIONAL to 614-888-7733.

Palm Sunday Communion Sunday, March 24 • Immediately Following the Service • All believers are welcome as we reflect and celebrate God's work on our behalf. Food for the love feast will be provided, and kids ministry for birth–kindergarten will be available after the meal. To help us plan accordingly, please RSVP by Wednesday, March 20 at GracePolaris.org/Communion or text COMMUNION to 614-888-7733.