

## God's Team

November 26, 2017

Titus 3:12-15

Oakbrook Community Church

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Paul reach the world through a team of believers committed to ministry

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- Artemus –
- Tychicus – Act 20:4; Eph 6:21-22; Col 4:7-9; 2 Tim 4:12
- Zenas the lawyer –
- Apollos – Act 18:24-25
- “Our people” –
- “All with me” – was Paul in Macedonia or Achaia? He wasn't alone.
- “Those who love us in the faith” –

### Team Principles of Ministry

1. Every member is responsible to engage in good deeds
2. The body is made up of many parts and relationships
3. We must encourage others' ministry in the Gospel (1 Cor 3:4-7)
4. The church needs godly servant leaders
5. A team needs encouragement & fellowship to serve effectively
6. A leader needs to walk by faith & let people know of needs
7. We must promote and live by God's Grace alone  
1 Co 16:23; 2 Co 13:14; Ga 6:18; Eph 6:24; Php 4:23; Co 4:18; 1 Th 5:28; 2 Th 3:18; 1 Ti 6:21; 2 Ti 4:22; Tt 3:15; Phm 25

### DISCUSS, THINK & APPLY:

- What would you say to a Christian who declined to serve the Lord because “he was too busy”?
- What are some practical implications of the definition that ministry is the overflow of the life of Christ in you?
- Why is the distinction between clergy and laity unbiblical? What implications does this have?
- Considering what we've learned in this short letter to Titus... discuss and lay out a plan of what true ministry looks like at Oakbrook.
- How are you devoted to good works in your life? How does this fit with the life and ministry of your local church? What could be done to improve that?
- How can you invite others and include others in your good works? What would that mean for church ministry? Would it help or hurt it?

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