

UNDERSTANDING... THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN GOOD WORKS AND SALVATION

Introduction: The importance of good works in the life of the believer can be seen in ...

Matthew 5:13-16	2 Timothy 2:21
Matthew 5:43-45	Titus 2:6-8
Colossians 1:9-10	Hebrews 10:24-25
1 Timothy 2:9-10	Hebrews 13:15-16
1 Timothy 6:17-18	1 Peter 2:11-15

* We see ***repeatedly*** that **good works** are very ***important*** in the **life** of the Christian.

1. Christ _____ about them.
2. Paul _____ for them.
3. Titus was to be a _____ of them.
4. Peter _____ us about them.
5. The WOG has been ***given*** to _____ us for them.
6. The believer's life is to be _____ for them, _____ in them, and
_____ in them.

A. Salvation is NOT BY WORKS. (Ephesians 2:8-9)

1. Good works ARE NOT the _____ of salvation. (Titus 3:5)
2. Good works ARE NOT the _____ of salvation. (2 Timothy 1:9-10)
3. Good works ARE NOT what a person _____ to be saved. (Romans 4:5)
4. The UNSAVED person performs good works to try to _____ and _____ God's favor and grace. (Isaiah 64:6)
5. The UNSAVED person CANNOT _____ for their salvation. (Romans 4:5)
6. The works of an UNSAVED person will be an issue at the GREAT _____ JUDGMENT. (Revelation 20:11-15)

B. Salvation is designed to be FOR GOOD WORKS. (Ephesians 2:10)

1. Good works ARE to be the _____ of salvation. (Titus 3:8)
2. Good works SHOULD BE the _____ of salvation. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
3. Good works ARE what a saved person _____ because they have been saved. (Titus 3:14)
4. The SAVED person should perform good works because they have _____ God's favor and grace. (Titus 2:11-14)
5. A SAVED person can _____ out the salvation that they already possess. (Philippians 2:12-13)
6. The works of a SAVED person will be an issue at the JUDGMENT _____ OF _____. (2 Corinthians 5:10; 1 Corinthians 3:11-15)

C. Further clarification.

1. What is considered by God a “good work”?

Definition: “A _____ is an activity done by one of God’s _____, for God’s _____, in God’s _____, and thru God’s _____.”

2. How does this differ from what the unsaved or legalist does? (Colossians 1:29, 1 Corinthians 15:10)

- a. The **difference** is all _____.
- b. The **reason** or _____ **should** be different.
- c. The _____ **should** be different.
- d. The _____ **should** be different.

3. What are some examples of “good works” done by believers?

1 Corinthians 15:10	Acts 11:19-26
Revelation 2 & 3	Acts 13:1-2
Mark 14:3-6	Hebrews 6:9-12
Acts 9:36	Matthew 6:1-4

- ☐ God wants _____ to be an integral part of our lives.
- ☐ The key is not, “let’s go _____ those good works.”
- ☐ The key is _____ in Him.