

MESSAGE

Occasion : Prayer Service
Date : January 5, 2017

TITLE : OUR GOOD WORKS
Text/s :

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INTRODUCTION

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Good works - Beneficial labour, deed, work, occupation

Believers should not be alien or indifferent to doing work and doing beneficial work, particularly that of doing the work of the Lord.

Eph 4:11-12 11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; 12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: KJV

1 Cor 16:10 10 Now if Timotheus come, see that he may be with you without fear: for he worketh the work of the Lord, as I also do. KJV

1 Cor 15:58 58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord. KJV

In respect to good works, we are...

1. Created, designed and ordained to walk unto good works

Eph 2:10 10 For **we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works**, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. KJV

2 Cor 5:17

17 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

KJV

Rom 8:29

29 For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

KJV

Eph 1:4-6

4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:

5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,

6 To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.

KJV

Eph 4:1

4 I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,

KJV

2. Redeemed, purified and made peculiar as a people zealous of good works

Titus 2:14 14 Who gave himself for us, **that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.** KJV

1 Peter 2:9-10

9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

10 Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

KJV

3. Thoroughly furnished unto all good works

2 Tim 3:17 17 That the man of God may be perfect, **thoroughly furnished unto all good works.**

KJV

2 Tim 3:16-17 16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: 17 That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. KJV

4. Prepared unto every good work

2 Tim 2:21 21 If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work. KJV

Prov 25:4

4 Take away the dross from the silver, and there shall come forth a vessel for the finer.

KJV

2 Tim 4:2

2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

KJV

1 Thess 4:4

4 That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour;

KJV

5. Ready to every good work

Titus 3:1 3 Put them in mind to be subject to principalities and powers, to obey magistrates, to be ready to every good work, KJV

6. Patterns of good works

Titus 2:7 7 In all things shewing thyself a pattern of good works: in doctrine shewing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity, KJV

1 Tim 4:12

12 Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.

KJV

1 Peter 5:3

3 Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock.

KJV

2 Thess 3:9

9 Not because we have not power, but to make ourselves an ensample unto you to follow us.

KJV

7. To Learn to maintain good works

Titus 3:14 14 And let ours also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful. KJV

Matt 11:29

29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

KJV

Ps 119:75

75 I know, O Lord, that thy judgments are right, and that thou in faithfulness hast afflicted me.

KJV

Ps 119:73

73 Thy hands have made me and fashioned me: give me understanding, that I may learn thy commandments.

KJV

8. To be careful to maintain good works

Titus 3:8 8 This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men. KJV

Phil 4:10

10 But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly, that now at the last your care of me hath flourished again; wherein ye were also careful, but ye lacked opportunity.

KJV

9. To provoking each other to love and good works

Heb 10:24 24 And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: KJV

2 Cor 9:2

2 For I know the forwardness of your mind, for which I boast of you to them of Macedonia, that Achaia was ready a year ago; and your zeal hath provoked very many.
KJV

10. To be rich in good works

1 Tim 6:18 18 That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; KJV

11. To abound in every good work

2 Cor 9:8 8 And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work: KJV

12. To be fruitful in every good work

Col 1:10 10 That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; KJV

13. To manifesting good works beforehand

1 Tim 5:24-25 24 Some men's sins are open beforehand, going before to judgment; and some men they follow after. 25 Likewise also the good works of some are manifest beforehand; and they that are otherwise cannot be hid. KJV

14. To be established in every good work

2 Thess 2:17 17 Comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work. KJV

15. To make others glorify God by our good works

1 Peter 2:12 12 Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation. KJV