

EQUIPPED FOR EVERY GOOD WORK

1. Text: II Timothy 3:14-17
2. Much confusion exists in the world concerning works. What do they have to do with salvation? How important are they? Do they exclude grace and faith?
3. Let's explore this important subject.

I. **Works and Scripture**

1. II Timothy 3:17 says the Scriptures equip or furnish us for every good work.
2. Complete in the verse means capable, proficient, able to meet all demands.
3. Equip means furnish, finish, complete.
4. Claim: Scripture is all we need to give us the directions to serve Him.

II. **Works And Exhortations**

1. I Corinthians 15:58 Always abound in the work of the Lord.
2. I Timothy 6:18 Let the rich be rich in good works.
3. II Timothy 2:21 "Sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work."
4. Hebrews 10:24 Stir one another in love and good works.
5. I John 3:18 Let us love in work and in truth.
6. Galatians 6:10 Let us do good works to all men.

III. **Works And Evidence**

1. Acts 9:36 Dorcas was full of good works. She was a disciple.
2. Acts 26:20 Those that repent and are converted bring forth works worthy of repentance.
3. I Corinthians 9:1 Are you not my work in the Lord?
4. Colossians 1:10 Fully pleasing to Him being fruitful in every good work.
5. Titus 1:16 They claim to know God but their works deny Him.
6. Titus 2:7 In all things showing yourself to be a pattern of good works.

IV. **Works And Faith**

1. John 6:28-29 What is a work of God? A work of God is to believe in Christ.
2. I Thessalonians 1:3 Work produced by faith, labor of love.
3. Titus 3:5,8 We're not saved by works of righteousness. Believers should be careful to maintain good works.
4. James 2:14-26 Faith without works is dead. By works faith was completed.
5. Galatians 5:6 Faith working by love.
6. What about grace and works: II Corinthians 9:8 God is able to make grace abound to you so you may have abundance for every good work.
7. Grace? See Ephesians 2:9-10 Saved by grace and created in Christ Jesus to do good works.

V. **Works And Judgment**

1. Romans 2:6 God will render to each one according to his works.
2. II Corinthians 11:15 Satan's ministers' end will be according to their works.
3. II Timothy 4:14 May the Lord repay him according to his works.
4. Hebrews 6:10 God is not unjust to forget your work and labor of love.
5. I Peter 1:17 Our Father without partiality judges according to each one's work.
6. James 1:25 The doer of the work will be blessed.
7. To all the seven churches of Revelation: I know your works.

Conclusion: Galatians 6:4 Let each examine his own work.

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