# Are "GOOD WORKS" in YOUR WALK with JEHOVAH GOD?

Objective: To strengthen, enhance, promote, an absolute zeal to do Good Works.

Please define "Good Works":

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#### A. Where are these Good Works found?

- 2 Tim 3:16,17 All taught scripture will equip one for every good work
- 2 Tim 2:21 Useful to the master <u>prepared</u> for every good work
- Heb 13:21 Jesus will equip you in every good thing to do his will
- 1 Cor 4:17 My ways in Christ <u>I teach</u> everywhere in every church
- 1 Cor 7:17 I direct [the same teaching] in all the churches, walk as I do
- Titus 2:1 Speak the things which are fitting for sound doctrine
- Rev 22:18,19 Do not add to or take away from words of revelation
- Jer 6:16 Standby the old paths, where the good way is and walk in it
- Acts 7:44 Make according to the pattern which he had seen

### B. What kind of people do these Good Works?

- Eph 2:10 That believers are created in Christ Jesus for good works
- Titus 2:14 Jesus redeems believers from every lawless deed, who are zealous for every good work
- 1 Pet 2:9 Believers are a chosen race, royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's possession
- Gal 6:9 Let us not lose heart in doing good, for we will reap if we do not grow weary
- Acts 10:34-35 [Acts 17:30] Every person, Jew and Gentle, is welcome to God, when one does what is right
- Isa 1:17 <u>Learn to do</u> good, seek justice, reprove the ruthless, defend the orphan, plead for the widow
- Micah 6:8 What is good, the LORD requires, to do justice, to love kindness, walk humbly with God

### C. What should everyone understand about works [Our Actions]?

- 1 Pet 1:17-19 God impartially judges each one's work; Conduct yourselves in fear
- 2 Cor 5:10 All before judgement seat of Christ; According to what one has done, good or bad
- Rom 14:10-12 All stand before the judgement seat of God; each one will give account
- Math 16:27 Son of man to come and will then repay ever man according to his deeds

- Rev 22:12 I am coming to render to every man according to what he has done
- Eccl 12:14 For God will bring every act to judgement
- Rev 14:13 Yes so that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow with them
- Rev 20:12 Book of life opened...dead were judged...according to their deeds
- Rev 22:12 To render to every man according to what he has done
- John 12:48 The words of God will judge at the last day
- Eph 6:8 Knowing that whatever good thing each one does, he will receive back from the Lord
- 3 Jn 11 The one who does good is of God, the one who does evil has not seen God

#### D. Can motives negate Good Works?

- Jn 12:43 For they loved the approval of men rather than the approval of God
- Jam 2:14-18 If in need of clothing and food and you tell them Go in peace, be warmed and be filled
- Titus 1:16 They profess to know God, but by their deeds they deny Him

# E. Verses to examine: State any specific works and attitudes, etc.? [Use space provided]

<b>Matt 5:14-16.</b> 14 "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; 15 nor doe anyone light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all who ar in the house. 16 "Let your light shine before men in such a way <b>that they may see your good work</b> and glorify your Father who is in heaven.
Eph 2:8-10. 8 For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; 9 not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. 10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.
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**Col 1:9-12.** 9 For this reason also, since the day we heard of it, we have not ceased to pray for you and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, 10 so that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; 11 strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all steadfastness

and patience; joyously 12 giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light.
1 Tim 2:9-10. 9 Likewise, I want women to adorn themselves with proper clothing, modestly and discreetly, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly garments, 10 <u>but rather by means of good works</u> , as is proper for women making a claim to godliness.
1 Tim 5:9-10. 9 A widow is to be put on the list only if she is not less than sixty years old, having been the wife of one man, 10 <u>having a reputation for good works</u> ; and if she has brought up children, if she has shown hospitality to strangers, if she has washed the saints' feet, if she has assisted those in distress, and if she has <u>devoted herself to every good work.</u>
1 Tim 5:24-25. 24 The sins of some men are quite evident, going before them to judgment; for others, their sins follow after. 25 Likewise also, <u>deeds that are good are quite evident</u> , and those which are otherwise cannot be concealed.
1 Tim 6:17-19. 17 Instruct those who are rich in this present world not to be conceited or to fix their hope on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly supplies us with all things to enjoy. 18 Instruct them to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, 19 storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is life indeed.

**2 Tim 3:14-17.** 14 You, however, continue in the things you have learned and become convinced of, knowing from whom you have learned them, 15 and that from childhood you have known the sacred writings which are able to give you the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith which is in Christ

Jesus. 16 All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; 17 so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.
Titus 2:6-8. 6 Likewise urge the young men to be sensible; 7 in all things show yourself to be an example of good deeds, with purity in doctrine, dignified, 8 sound in speech which is beyond reproach, so that the opponent will be put to shame, having nothing bad to say about us.
Heb 10:23-25. 23 Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful; 24 and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, 25 not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near.
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Jam 2:20. But are you willing to recognize, you foolish fellow, that faith without works is useless?
1 Peter 2:11-12. 11 Beloved, I urge you as aliens and strangers to abstain from fleshly lusts which wage war against the soul. 12 Keep your behavior excellent among the Gentiles, so that in the thing in which they slander you as evildoers, they may because of your good deeds, as they observe them, glorify God in the day of visitation.

## F. Listing of "actions" [good works] of people that had saving, obedient faith as in Hebrews 11. [Heb 4:2; Rom 4]

**Abel**, vs.4 [Offered] **Enoch**, vs.5 [Pleasing] Noah, vs.7 [Prepared] Abraham, vs.8,17 [Obeyed by going out; Offered up] Sarah, vs.11 [Considered Him{GOD} faithful] Isaac, vs.20 [Blessed Jacob/Esau] Jacob, vs.21 [Blessed each/Worshiped] Joseph, vs.22 [made mention; gave orders] Moses's parents, vs.23 [Hide Moses; not afraid] Moses, vss. 24,25,27,28 [Refused; choosing to endure; left Egypt; endured; kept Passover] Moses/people, vs. 29 [passed through the Red Sea] Joshua/people, vs. 30 [Jericho encircled 7 times] Rehab, vs. 31 [welcomed the spies in peace] Gideon, vs. 33 [conquered] Barak, vs. 33 [conquered] Samson, vs.33 [performed acts of righteousness, from weakness made strong] Jephthah, vs.33 [conquered] David, vss.33,34 [shut mouths of lions, escaped, became mighty; put armies in flight] Daniel, vs.34 [quenched the power of fire] Women, vs.35 [received back through sufferings-Zerapeth of Sidon & Shunamite's son] Prophets, vss.35,36,37,38 [tortured; not accepting release; mockings; scourings; chains; prison; stoned; sawn in two; tempted; put to death with sword; wore sheepskins, goatskins; destitute; afflicted; illtreated; wandered in mountains, caves, holes in the ground]

#### G. Please define "Good Works" <u>again</u>: