Good Works

Ephesians 2:10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

Colossians 1:10 that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;

Hebrews 13:20-21 Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Matthew 5:16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Examples Of Good Works

Acts 9:36 At Joppa there was a certain disciple named Tabitha, which is translated Dorcas. This woman was full of good works and charitable deeds which she did.

Acts 9:39 Then Peter arose and went with them. When he had come, they brought him to the upper room. And all the widows stood by him weeping, showing the tunics and garments which Dorcas had made while she was with them.

1 Timothy 6:17-18 <u>Command those who are rich in this present age</u> not to be haughty, nor to trust in uncertain riches but in the living God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy. Let them do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to give, willing to share.

James 1:27 Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world.

Titus 3:14 And let our people also learn to maintain good works, to meet urgent needs, that they may not be unfruitful.

Guidance From God On How To Do Good Works

2 Timothy 3:16-17 <u>All Scripture is given by inspiration of God</u>, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, <u>thoroughly equipped for every good work</u>.

2 Corinthians 8:12 For if there is <u>first a willing mind</u>, it is accepted <u>according to what one has, and not according to what he does not have.</u>

Galatians 6:10 Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

Luke 6:35 But love your enemies, <u>do good</u>, <u>and lend</u>, <u>hoping for nothing in return</u>; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil.

Matthew 6:1-4 "Take heed that you do not do your charitable deeds before men, to be seen by them. Otherwise you have no reward from your Father in heaven. Therefore, when you do a charitable deed, do not sound a trumpet before you as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory from men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. But when you do a charitable deed, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, that your charitable deed may be in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will Himself reward you openly

The Sin Of Doing Nothing

James 2:15-16 If a brother or sister is naked and destitute of daily food, and one of you says to them, "Depart in peace, be warmed and filled," but you do not give them the things which are needed for the body, what does it profit?

1 John 3:17-18 <u>But whoever has this world's goods, and sees his brother in need, and shuts up his heart from him, how does the love of God abide in him?</u> My little children, let us not <u>love</u> in word or in tongue, <u>but in deed and in truth</u>.

Matthew 25:41-46' Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink; I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.' "Then they also will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?' Then He will answer them, saying, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.' And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

The Abuse Of Christians Good Works

John 6:26 Jesus answered them and said, "Most assuredly, I say to you, <u>you seek Me, not because you saw the signs, but because you ate of the loaves and were filled.</u>

John 6:66 From that time many of His disciples went back and walked with Him no more.

2 Thessalonians 3:10-12 For even when we were with you, we commanded you this: If anyone will not work, neither shall he eat. For we hear that there are some who walk among you in a disorderly manner, not working at all, but are busybodies. Now those who are such we command and exhort through our Lord Jesus Christ that they work in quietness and eat their own bread.

Galatians 6:7 Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap.

Proverbs 22:8 He who sows iniquity will reap sorrow,

Proverbs 13:4 The soul of a lazy man desires, and has nothing; But the soul of the diligent shall be made rich.