

## You Asked For It:

### Faith that Works

*For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—<sup>9</sup> not by works, so that no one can boast.*

*Ephesians 2:8-9 (NIV)*

*God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God.<sup>9</sup> Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it.*

*Ephesians 2:8-9 (NLT)*

*In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.*

*James 2:17 (NIV)*

*So you see, faith by itself isn't enough. Unless it produces good deeds, it is dead and useless.*

*James 2:17 (NLT)*

*As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without deeds is dead.*

*James 2:26 (NIV)*

*And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books.*

*Revelation 20:12 (NIV)*

#### 1. WE ARE SAVED BY \_\_\_\_\_ ALONE.

*When God our Savior revealed his kindness and love, <sup>5</sup> he saved us, not because of the righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He washed away our sins, giving us a new birth and new life through the Holy Spirit.*

*Titus 3:4-5 (NLT)*

*Because of his grace he made us right in his sight and gave us confidence that we will inherit eternal life.*

*Titus 3:7 (NLT)*

*For we maintain that a person is justified by faith apart from the works of the law.*  
*Romans 3:28 (NIV)*

2. WORKS ARE \_\_\_\_\_.

*In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.*  
*Matthew 5:16 (NLT)*

*Pure and genuine religion in the sight of God the Father means caring for orphans and widows in their distress and refusing to let the world corrupt you.*  
*James 1:27 (NLT)*

*Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling,*  
*Philippians 2:12 (NIV)*

*Work hard to show the results of your salvation, obeying God with deep reverence and fear.*  
*Philippians 2:12 (NLT)*

3. WORKS ARE THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF SALVATION, NOT THE \_\_\_\_\_.

*For God is working in you, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases him.*  
*Philippians 2:13 (NLT)*

*Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.*

<sup>5</sup> *“I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.*  
*John 15:4-5 (NIV)*

*For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.*  
*Ephesians 2:10 (NIV)*

