

## Ephesians 2:10

### WE ARE GOD'S WORKMANSHIP

- I. The work itself.
  - A. God's "workmanship" clearly implies that God is the "Workman."
    - 1. "Workmanship" is more than a work, for it refers to the making or fashioning of a work in harmony with a purpose.
    - 2. This work continues during our lifetime, when God uses every circumstance to shape and mold us.
  - B. God's saving work is a creation – we are "created."
    - 1. The first creation displayed divine power, and our re-creation manifests the power of God's grace.
    - 2. We are a creation "in Christ Jesus" (cf. 1:3,4,7,11; 2:5,6,7).
  - C. There is no more exalting description of salvation than to say that we are God's workmanship.
- II. God workmanship is with the purpose of our doing "good works."
  - A. That we are God's workmanship does not make us inactive, but makes us do good works.
    - 1. The "good works" are whatever is done out of faith, in love of God, and to His glory.
    - 2. We actively "walk" in the good works.
  - B. Though our good works do not save us, nor add to Christ's work, they are a real part of the salvation gifted to us.
    - 1. "Which God hath before ordained."
    - 2. After every good work, we have to say that God set it before us to walk in it.
- III. Our text explains the previous two verses, i.e., why salvation is not of us, but is of God and the exceeding riches of His grace.
  - A. This truth exalts us: we are God's workmanship. Never stop thanking Him for it.
  - B. Focus on gratitude by walking in faith and love and to His glory.