



Faith Bible Baptist Church



~ Wednesday Bible Study Notes ~

"And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain." (1 Corinthians 15:14)

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Title: **Walking With God** - Lesson 6

Text: **Ephesians 2:10**

Subject: Walking in Good works, part 3

12. The church and works.

To all seven of the churches of Asia, Jesus starts out by saying, "***I know thy works***" (see Rev. 2:2,9,13,19; 3:1,8,15).

To the fallen church at Ephesus, Jesus instruct them to "***repent, and do the first works***" - Rev. 2:5.

To the church at Thyatira, Jesus promises, "***I will give unto every one of you according to your works***" - Rev. 2:23. He also promised "***he that keepeth my works unto the end to him I will give power over the nations.***" - Rev. 2:26

The church at Sardis was rebuked by Jesus who said "***I have not found thy works perfect before God.***" - Rev. 3:2

13. The work of a Bishop (Pastor) is said to be a good work. - 1 Timothy 3:1; 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13; 1 Corinthians 16:10; Philippians 2:25, 30; 2 Timothy 4:5

14. Ministers are to equip church members for the work of the ministry.

Ephesians 4:11-12, "***And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:***"

15. A wise man is known for his works. - James 3:13

16. Our good works silence opposition. - 1 Peter 2:12

17. God is still working in us today. - Philippians 2:13; Philippians 1:6

18. We work in accordance with the ability God gives us. - 1 Peter 4:11

19. We are to be laborers with God - 1 Corinthians 3:9, "***For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building.***"

It's good to work for God, it is better to work with God.

20. Last Mentions:

"Works": Revelation 14:13, "***And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.***"

"Work": Revelation 22:12, "***And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.***

There are many other references to "works", "work", and "laboring" in the New Testament. It is why God left us here: to work in us and through us. Keep at it. Don't let any man take your crown. (Revelation 3:11)

"But hath in due times manifested his word through preaching ..." (Titus 1:3)