

CAUTION!

Some Works Are Unto Death

I have friends who firmly believe in the doctrine of Unconditional Salvation. I realize they are really set in their ways, but I continue to try, and I love them. Please hang here with me while I make another attempt

Question: I am a born again Christian who grew up with Christians of another denomination. I am being told by these friends that the "works" the Apostle Paul spoke about in 1 Corinthians 3, are the sins in our lives, and will be burned up at the judgment seat of Christ; and that's how they will make heaven without repenting prior to death. But my Bible tells me when Christians pass on, they will either receive their rewards, or they must wait for the Great White Throne for judgment. Can you explain this to me? What happens when we die?

Answer: There is a lot of controversy out there on this subject. The first thing all Christians should remember is that *unconfessed sin will bring certain judgment* for the sinner when he faces Jesus Christ; and sin absolutely must be washed by the precious Blood of Jesus – while we are alive. To attempt to present ourselves before His Throne at judgment – with unforgiven sin in our life will lead us to eternal destruction (Matthew 13: 24-43). Hebrews 9:27 says it like this: “And as it is appointed unto man once to die; but after this, the judgment.”

When I started studying the book of First Corinthians, I realized something: To proclaim Christianity, we must learn to truly trust the Lord in every area of our lives, and to love Him with our mind, our heart, strength and soul. First Corinthians was written to people whom Paul called "carnal Christians".

Unlike the *slow to learn* disciples who were training under Jesus, and struggling to take part in the awesome ministries of healings, deliverances, and even raising folks from the dead, Paul began his own ministry about five years into the Church period (grace), as an apostle without ever sitting under the teachings of any other human. How did he accomplish this? (Gal.1:11-24, with emphasis on verses 11, 12; 17-20) He spent several years away from any apostles under the *God dictated* anointing of the Holy Spirit. Paul testified how the Holy Spirit ministered to him as he prayed. (1 Cor. 14: 1-4; 15-19).

Look at what Paul says in First Corinthians 3:1,2: *And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ. I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto, ye were not able to bear it, neither are ye now able.*

Notice Paul's words in verse 2: *...Neither yet now are ye able.* In other words, Paul went on to write the book of First Corinthians to the carnal Christians who were not able to eat the meat of the Word. Because he was writing to such Christians, Paul tried to reveal his source of revelation knowledge in chapters 2 and 3 so these baby Christians could also tap into that same source. Paul was encouraging the Corinthian believers to take their Christianity beyond a carnal walk of the senses, and into an intimate relationship with God.

First Corinthians 3:3,4 confirms this: *For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men? For while one saith, I am of Paul; and another, I am of Apollos; are ye not carnal?*

Paul accused the Corinthian believers of being carnal for following after men, but he wasn't talking about doing away with the offices of apostle, prophet, pastor, evangelist, and teacher or the ministry of

these offices to the Body of Christ. So what was Paul talking about? He was trying to get the Corinthian church to look past the ministry of men and to focus instead on the ministry of the Holy Spirit. Paul wanted them to realize that only the Spirit of God could transform their lives and literally cause them to become what they were hearing and learning from their teachers.

Notice what Paul goes on to say in verses 5 and 6: *Who then is Paul, and who is Apollos, but ministers by whom ye believed, even as the Lord gave to every man? I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase.*

Paul was saying he had planted the Corinthians in the Kingdom of God by leading them to Christ. Then Apollos came along later to water the seed of the Word in their hearts, teaching them about Jesus Christ, the ministry of the Holy Spirit, and how to grow in the knowledge of God. But as Paul says in verse 6, it was God by His power who actually gave the increase.

In First Corinthians 3:9, Paul describes the formation of the Body of Christ by calling us both God's HUSBANDRY and God's BUILDING. Like every building, we must have a foundation. Paul goes on to describe his ministry as a wise masterbuilder who received grace from God to lay that foundation. Of course, as Paul revealed in I Corinthians 1, that foundation is Jesus Christ crucified, which is ...unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness; but unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God (vv. 23,24).

As part of God's building, you are called by Him to be a lively stone. That means you are to fulfill your ministry as a co-laborer in the Body of Christ, always building on the revelation that Paul laid as a masterbuilder, which is "JESUS CRUCIFIED."...For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus *unto good works*, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them (works)." (Ephesians 2:10; also 1 Tim. 5:24,25)

NOTE: Though some works are sins, Paul, in this chapter, is speaking about good versus bad works – meaning Paul's instruction in verses 5-18 was intended to teach the Corinthian Church that in order to be progressive in their/our walk with Christ Jesus, we must be fellow workers with God. There are *good* and *bad* works; but there is no such thing as *good sin*. And here, sin is *not* the subject.

Paul continued in verses 14-18: "If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire. Know ye not that ye are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are. Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise."

Here is where man's ministry leaves off and the Holy Spirit's ministry begins. This is why Paul called the Corinthian believers carnal for following after men, saying, "One says, 'I am of Paul,' and another says, 'I am of Apollos.' But who are we but ministers by whom you believed? It is GOD who gives the increase" (vv. 4,6).

As a teacher, I can teach all about Jesus crucified, healing, covenants, love, faith, and hope. However, I cannot open up people's hearts and put all these truths inside of them.

Where does the teaching ministry leave off and the Holy Spirit's ministry begin in our life? *At the point where God wants to reveal to us our individual calling as a lively stone in the building of God.* And as Christians, good works are essential in our lives if spiritual growth is to continue! Paul is not speaking about sin, but encouraging *good* works. Those who persist in doing bad works should look closely at verses 16-23.

Through the power of the Holy Spirit, God will work in our lives to bring forth faith, love, the anointing, and a spiritual understanding of the things of God. No man can give that to you, for it is only God who gives the increase.

How do we become mature Christians and get rid of sin in our lives? By penance? Going before the Priest to confess? Must we continue to struggle in our flesh? No, a thousand times no! None of those things will help. Trying to go any direction but through the precious blood of Jesus is impossible. Why? Because only the blood of Jesus can wash away our sins. If we do not repent, we will die in our sins – and when we face Jesus, we will be judged accordingly. If we die in our sins, we will not be invited into the Kingdom where we will be rewarded according to our works, but rather, we will be judged according to our evil works (Matthew 25:24-30), that's called the second death. To fail here is an eternal error.

Works Versus Sin

- ***Sin is:***

Bad: Negative attitudes of the heart toward right living, to include pride, a rebellious spirit, boastfulness, filthiness, loose talking, bitterness – unwilling to repent (see verses 16-23); if our works fall under *unforgiven sin*, then we will be judged accordingly.

Good: No such thing.

- ***Works are:***

Good: Those to the glorifying of the Kingdom and, in every case, honored by His Spirit, to include: ministering to and praying for the lost, poor, and ill; being obedient to the Words of our Lord; having a tender heart; being alert to obey the voice of the Lord (Verses 13, 14).

Bad: Doing seemingly good works but with a wrong attitude, and for the wrong reasons – such as to glorify ourselves rather than glorifying God. Caution – some bad works unattended, will lead to eternal death. (verse 15)

Therefore:

- 1) *Good* works, not bad works, are built on the *Foundation, Jesus Christ* (1 Cor. 3)
- 2) We must administer our works unto God by His Spirit to confirm our love. (Jas. 2).
- 3) We must repent of our works in the flesh. These works may become sin. (Rev.2, 3, 21).
Unfortunately, many believe Paul here is speaking of our *sins* instead of *works*, indicating they believe *their sins* will be burned up at the time of their judgment, leaving them in good shape for eternity in heaven, and not realizing we are cleansed only by His blood, and that can only be done, *while we are alive on earth* – an eternal error.
- 4) Bad works and *confessed sin* will be burned up in judgment after we die.*

The Good and The Bad Works

Paul spoke about spiritual works anointed by the Lord Himself and noted these works were fully based on that Great Foundation, *who was Jesus Christ*. Paul stressed the fact that every Christian man's works will be tested by fire; *the good* being Gold, precious stones, and *the bad* being wood, hay and straw. (1 Corinthians 3:11-15).

When teaching His disciples, Jesus spoke of works on a number of occasions. In one session, He said, *Surely, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to the Father.* (John 14:12; see John 5:20)

Fellow Workers With God (4-9)

Carnal Christians need to be confronted, lifted up, and encouraged. Paul saw the fleshly attitudes of

these Corinthians, as they were selfishly walking in different directions – and could not see themselves as God saw them – “assigned to walk fully in His Spirit”. Paul saw them – “showing themselves to be ordinary, unchanged men as they followed after diverse apostles”.

Paul explained that, even though he and Apollos were different, and had separate ministries, they were yet one in unity; and the Corinthian Church should also strive to be where Jesus appointed *them*. Paul saw that the Corinthians, with some filing and sanding, just might have a great opportunity to turn their world upside down. He dedicated this portion of 1 Corinthians to support and rightly teach this unorganized bunch of misfit Christians to reach for the place they were called to be in Jesus Christ – who, much earlier, designed each of them to be separate parts of His own body . . . His bride.

Loss Of Reward With God (10, 11)

According to His grace given me as a wise master builder, I have laid the foundation, and others have built on it. But we all must be very careful how we build on it. For no other foundation can man lay than that which is already laid; that foundation is Jesus.(Vs. 10, 11)

These Christians were squabbling and were causing disorder in the Church. They were speaking out of turn and causing general disorder. Paul was wise in directing their attention towards Godly and unifying works. He cautioned them about doing works that were not based on the real and true foundation of Jesus Christ. He was saying works should be directed toward the unity of the body of Christ and geared toward completing the will of God in their lives – toward the destruction of the works of the devil. Every man's works will be tried by the fire. These are Christians, and because they were *in Christ*, their works were required to be righteous and holy works. Paul continues...

Now if anyone builds on this foundation (Jesus Christ) with gold, precious stones, wood, hay or straw, each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. If that man's work which he has built on it (the foundation of Jesus Christ) endures, he will receive a reward.

"But if any man's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.

Understand that *sin* and *works* are not always the same. While there are *bad works* which sometimes do cause eternal suffering, there's no such thing as *good sin**, at least, to my knowledge. Often the Bible, in the Book of Revelation, uses the word *works* when judging evil individuals and nations. For an example, Revelation 20:11-14 states,

*“Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away, And there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. **And the dead were judged according to their works**, by the things which were written in the books. The sea gave up the dead who were dead who were in it. And death and hades delivered up the dead in them. **And they were judged, each one according to his works**. Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.”*

***there's no such thing as good sin:** A wonderful truth that may help us remember Jesus, and every author of the New Testament, when speaking of works, always strongly urged the body of Christ in the *accomplishment of good works as led by the Holy Spirit* – and also reinforces the truth that *bad works, in contrast to knowingly committing sin*, will never bring forth blessings from the Kingdom of God, but also will rob us of our rewards when facing Christ Jesus at judgment – and *unconfessed sin* will certainly keep us from entering God's Kingdom!

Why would any person truly born of the Spirit of Christ Jesus, EVER, EVEN FOR ONE MOMENT, prefer to live in the world rather than being in an intimate relationship with Him!

Men of God must be very careful *NOT* to confuse First Corinthians 3, where Paul is teaching on *works*, with unforgiven sin. Remember this as a guide: Works can be burned up in the measuring of the saints' awards, but only the precious blood of Jesus Christ can cleanse us from our sin – and we cannot count on pleading at the Judgment Seat of Christ – for mercy – if we have neglected to live Holy Spirit enriched holy and righteous lives.

When Jesus ascended to be on the right side of His Father, He left the Church every spiritual tool and weapon the Father had given Him, to complete the destruction of the “works of the devil”.

Paul strongly encouraged the Corinthians to do the works of a master builder created by the Lord, for not all the works being accomplished in His name were worthy of any spiritual blessings. The gold and precious stones would bring rewards, but the wood, hay and straw, would be burned up. Again, remember the *GOOD WORKS* are not related to our sin, *for all sin will cause loss, sometimes eternal*.

I need to caution you *not* to adhere to these are *not works*, but are *sins*. Sin, as taught by Jesus and His apostles, absolutely must be confessed and forgiven prior to crossing over into eternity, else they would surely die in their sin – to face harsh judgment! These are precious folks, but have been deceived, generation after generation.

Paul said, *Let no person deceive himself. If anyone among you supposes he is wise in this age, let him become a fool [discard his worldly discernment and see himself as dull, and foolish without learning and wisdom], that he may become wise.* (1 Corinthians 3:18; see also Isaiah 5:21).

In Matthew 24:4,5, Jesus told His disciples “*Be careful that no one misleads you or deceives you to error. For many will come in (on the strength of) My name, saying, I am the Christ (Messiah) and they will lead many astray.*” (See also vs. 24) Jesus left His Church responsible for her own deceptions.

Brethren, we must protect ourselves. *Jesus laid that responsibility on us!* Because Paul is speaking to Christians who are carnal, he takes care to confront them gently, so as not to lose even one. He lifts them up by his words and shows them the only way they can redeem themselves from continuing in the direction they are going, is to repent and return to the place God wants them. They were carnal, but Paul showed to them Jesus, and that would bring unity. He therefore revealed the only way for growth was to begin building on the foundation, Jesus Christ.

"Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own authority; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works. "Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father in Me, or else believe Me for the sake of the **works** themselves. **Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to the Father.**" (John 14:10-12 – NKJV)

Later He appeared to the eleven as they sat at the table; and He rebuked their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they did not believe those who had seen Him after He had risen. And He said to them, "**Go** into all the world and **preach** the gospel to every creature. He who believes in Me and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. And these signs will follow those who believe: **In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.**" (Mark 16:14-18 – NKJV)

True Faith Evidenced By our Works

What is truly amazing to me is that the same people who believe they will make it into heaven no matter what – because sin will be burned up at the judgment seat—also swear on the Bible that a

Christian and his works are pride, and are not compatible with Grace.

Why is that? See what James wrote in 2: 14-26.

Abraham Believed God – Rahab also

14. “What *doth* it profit my brethren, though a man say he have faith and have not **works**? Can faith save him?
15. If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food,
16. And one of you say unto them, depart in peace, be *ye* warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needed to the body; what *doth* it profit?
17. Even so faith, if it hath not **works**, is dead, being alone.
18. Yea, a man may say, thou hast faith, and I have **works**: show me thy faith without thy **works**, and I will show thee my faith by my **works**.
19. Thou believest there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble.
20. But wilt thou know, oh vain man, that faith without **works** is dead?
21. Was not Abraham our father justified by **works**, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar?
22. Seest thou how faith wrought with his **works**, and by **works** was faith made perfect?
23. And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the friend of God.
24. Ye see then how that by **works** a man is justified, and not by faith only.
25. Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by **works**, when she had received the messengers, and had sent *them* out another way?
26. For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without **works** is dead also.” (James 2:14-26)

John sees the following at the end of the Tribulation, long after the saints have been judged:

"And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their **works**, by the things which were written in the books"(Rev 20:12)

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Are Works Required?

Verses On “Work”

From KJV – New Testament

Key: By The Father, Son, or Holy Spirit

Key: By Believers

 Mat 5:16	Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works , and glorify your Father which is in heaven.
 Mat 7:22	Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works ?
 Mat 11:2	Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples,
 Mat 11:20	Then began he to upbraid the cities wherein most of his mighty works were done, because they repented not:
 Mat 11:21	Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works , which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.

 Mat 11:23	And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works , which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day.
 Mat 13:54	And when he was come into his own country, he taught them in their synagogue, insomuch that they were astonished, and said, Whence hath this [man] this wisdom, and [these] mighty works ?
 Mat 13:58	And he did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief.
 Mat 14:2	And said unto his servants, This is John the Baptist; he is risen from the dead; and therefore mighty works do shew forth themselves in him.
 Mat 16:27	For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works .
 Mat 23:3	All therefore whatsoever they bid you observe, [that] observe and do; but do not ye after their works : for they say, and do not.
 Mat 23:5	But all their works they do for to be seen of men: they make broad their phylacteries, and enlarge the borders of their garments,

 Mar 6:2	And when the sabbath day was come, he began to teach in the synagogue: and many hearing [him] were astonished, saying, From whence hath this [man] these things? and what wisdom [is] this which is given unto him, that even such mighty works are wrought by his hands?
 Mar 6:14	And king Herod heard [of him]; (for his name was spread abroad:) and he said, That John the Baptist was risen from the dead, and therefore mighty works do shew forth themselves in him.

 Luk 10:13	Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works had been done in Tyre and Sidon, which have been done in you, they had a great while ago repented, sitting in sackcloth and ashes.
 Luk 19:37	And when he was come nigh, even now at the descent of the mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen;

 Jhn 5:20	For the Father loveth the Son, and sheweth him all things that himself doeth: and he will shew him greater works than these, that ye may marvel.
 Jhn 5:36	But I have greater witness than [that] of John: for the works which the Father hath given me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of me, that the Father hath sent me.
 Jhn 6:28	Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God?
 Jhn 7:3	His brethren therefore said unto him, Depart hence, and go into Judaea, that thy disciples also may see the works that thou doest.
 Jhn 7:7	The world cannot hate you; but me it hateth, because I testify of it, that the works thereof are evil.
 Jhn 8:39	They answered and said unto him, Abraham is our father. Jesus saith unto them, If ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham.
 Jhn 9:3	Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.

☞ Jhn 9:4	I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: <i>the night cometh, when no man can work.</i>
☞ Jhn 10:25	Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me.
☞ Jhn 10:32	Jesus answered them, Many good works have I shewed you from my Father; for which of those works do ye stone me?
☞ Jhn 10:37	If I do not the works of my Father, believe me not.
☞ Jhn 10:38	But if I do, though ye believe not me, believe the works : that ye may know, and believe, that the Father [is] in me, and I in him.
☞ Jhn 14:10	Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works .
☞ Jhn 14:11	Believe me that I [am] in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.
☞ Jhn 14:12	Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater [works] than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.
☞ Jhn 15:24	If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father.

☞ Act 2:11	Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.
☞ Act 7:41	And they made a calf in those days, and offered sacrifice unto the idol, and rejoiced in the works of their own hands.
☞ Act 9:36	Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha, which by interpretation is called Dorcas: this woman was full of good works and almsdeeds which she did.
☞ Act 15:18	Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world.
☞ Act 26:20	But shewed first unto them of Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the coasts of Judaea, and [then] to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, and do works meet for repentance.

☞ Rom 3:27	Where [is] boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? of works ? Nay: but by the law of faith. (Also See Galatians 3:5)
☞ Rom 4:2	For if Abraham were justified by works , he hath [whereof] to glory; but not before God.
☞ Rom 4:6	Even as David also describeth the blessedness of the man, unto whom God imputeth righteousness without works , <i>Saying, Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered. (Vs 7 added to imphasize "all their sins were forgiven through repentance.")</i>
☞ Rom 9:11	(For [the children] being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works , but of him that calleth;)
☞ Rom 9:32	Wherefore? Because [they sought it] not by faith, but as it were by the works of the law. For they stumbled at that stumblingstone; (Also See Galatians 3:5)
☞ Rom 11:6	And if by grace, then [is it] no more of works : otherwise grace is no more grace. But if [it be] of works , then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work.
☞	For rulers are not a terror to good works , but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the

Rom 13:3	power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same:
 Rom 13:12	The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light.
2Cr 11:15	Therefore [it is] no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works .
 Gal 2:16	Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, <i>but by the faith of Jesus Christ</i> , even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.
 Gal 3:2	This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? (Also See Galatians 3:5)
 Gal 3:5	He therefore that ministereth to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, [doeth he it] by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?
 Gal 3:10	For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed [is] every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them.
 Gal 5:19	Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are [these]; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,..
Eph 2:8,9	For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, Not of works , lest any man should boast. (See verse 10. . .)
 Eph 2:10	For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works , which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.
 Eph 5:11	And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove [them].
 Col 1:21	And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in [your] mind by wicked works , yet now hath he reconciled
 1Ti 2:10	But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works .
 1Ti 5:10	Well reported of for good works ; if she have brought up children, if she have lodged strangers, if she have washed the saints' feet, if she have relieved the afflicted, if she have diligently followed every good work .
 1Ti 5:25	Likewise also the good works [of some] are manifest beforehand; and they that are otherwise cannot be hid.
 1Ti 6:18	That they do good, that they be rich in good works , ready to distribute, willing to communicate;
 2Ti 1:9	Who hath saved us, and called [us] with an holy calling, not according to our works , but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,
 2Ti 3:17	That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works .
 2Ti 4:14	Alexander the coppersmith did me much evil: the Lord reward him according to his works :

☐ Tts 1:16	They profess that they know God; but in works they deny [him], being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.
☐Tts 2:7	In all things shewing thysself a pattern of good works : in doctrine [shewing] uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity,
☐ Tts 2:14	Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works .
☐Tts 3:5	Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; (Also See Galatians 3:5)
☐Tts 3:8	[This is] a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works . These things are good and profitable unto men.
☐ Tts 3:14	And let ours also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful.

☐ Hbr 1:10	And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands:
☐Hbr 2:7	Thou madest him a little lower than the angels; thou crownedst him with glory and honour, and didst set him over the works of thy hands:
☐Hbr 3:9	When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my works forty years.
☐Hbr 4:3	For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world.
☐Hbr 4:4	For he spake in a certain place of the seventh [day] on this wise, And God did rest the seventh day from all his works .
☐ Hbr 4:10	For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works , as God [did] from his. (See Matthew 11:28) Our rest is our forgiveness, Salvation, and Holy Spirit, till He returns.
☐Hbr 6:1	Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; <i>not laying again the foundation of repentance</i> from dead works , and of faith toward God,
☐ Hbr 9:14	How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?
☐ Hbr 10:24	And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works :... <i>From these Hebrew Scriptures, note that Paul never spoke against good works for those who are in Christ Jesus.</i>

☐ Jam 2:14	What [doth it] profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works ? can faith save him?
☐ Jam 2:17	Even so faith, if it hath not works , is dead, being alone.
☐ Jam 2:18	Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works : shew me thy faith without thy works , and I will shew thee my faith by my works .
☐ Jam 2:20	But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?
☐	Was not Abraham our father justified by works , when he had offered Isaac his son upon the

Jam 2:21	altar?
 Jam 2:22	Seest thou how faith wrought with his works , and by works was faith made perfect?
 Jam 2:24	Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.
 Jam 2:25	Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works , when she had received the messengers, and had sent [them] out another way?
 Jam 2:26	For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.
 Jam 3:13	Who [is] a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom.

 1Pe 2:12	Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by [your] good works , which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.
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 2Pe 3:10	But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. (Bad works remaining in the earth; see 1 Cor. 3:14)
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 1Jo 3:8	He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.
 1Jo 3:12	Not as Cain, [who] was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous.

 Rev 2:2	I know thy works , and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars:
 Rev 2:5	Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works ; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.
 Rev 2:9	I know thy works , and tribulation, and poverty, (but thou art rich) and [I know] the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but [are] the synagogue of Satan.
 Rev 2:13	I know thy works , and where thou dwellest, [even] where Satan's seat [is]: and thou holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my faith, even in those days wherein Antipas [was] my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth.
 Rev 2:19	I know thy works , and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works ; and the last [to be] more than the first.
 Rev 2:23	And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works .
 Rev 2:26	And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: (See 1 John 3:8).
 Rev 3:1	And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write; These things saith he that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars; I know thy works , that thou hast a name that thou livest,

	and art dead.
☞ Rev 3:2	Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect before God.
☞ Rev 3:8	I know thy works : behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.
☞ Rev 3:15	I know thy works , that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.
☞ Rev 9:20	And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk:
☞ Rev 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. (our rest is the heaven)
☞ Rev 15:3	And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvellous [are] thy works , Lord God Almighty; just and true [are] thy ways, thou King of saints.
☞ Rev 18:6	Reward her even as she rewarded you, and double unto her double according to her works : in the cup which she hath filled fill to her double.
☞ Rev 20:12	And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is [the book] of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works .
☞ Rev 20:13	And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works .

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Verses On “Work”

From KJV – New Testament

☞ Mat 7:23	And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.
☞ Mat 21:28	But what think ye? A [certain] man had two sons; and he came to the first, and said, Son, go work to day in my vineyard.
☞ Mat 26:10	When Jesus understood [it], he said unto them, Why trouble ye the woman? for she hath wrought a good work upon me.
☞ Mar 6:5	And he could there do no mighty work , save that he laid his hands upon a few sick folk, and healed [them].
☞ Mar 13:34	[For the Son of man is] as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work , and commanded the porter to watch.
☞ Mar 14:6	And Jesus said, Let her alone; why trouble ye her? she hath wrought a good work on me.
☞ Luk 13:14	And the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because that Jesus had healed on the sabbath day, and said unto the people, There are six days in which men ought to work : in them therefore come and be healed, and not on the sabbath day.
☞	Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work .

Jhn 4:34	
 Jhn 5:17	But Jesus answered them, My Father worketh hitherto, and I work .
 Jhn 6:28	Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God?
 Jhn 6:29	Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent.
 Jhn 6:30	They said therefore unto him, What sign shewest thou then, that we may see, and believe thee? what dost thou work ?
 Jhn 7:21	Jesus answered and said unto them, I have done one work , and ye all marvel.
 Jhn 9:4	I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work .
 Jhn 10:33	The Jews answered him, saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that thou, being a man, makest thyself God.
 Jhn 17:4	I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do.

 Act 5:38	And now I say unto you, Refrain from these men, and let them alone: for if this counsel or this work be of men, it will come to nought:
 Act 13:2	As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them.
 Act 13:41	Behold, ye despisers, and wonder, and perish: for I work a work in your days, a work which ye shall in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you.
 Act 14:26	And thence sailed to Antioch, from whence they had been recommended to the grace of God for the work which they fulfilled. (See Acts 9:15,16).
 Act 15:38	But Paul thought not good to take him with them, who departed from them from Pamphylia, and went not with them to the work .
 Act 27:16	And running under a certain island which is called Claudia, we had much work to come by the boat:

 Rom 2:15	Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and [their] thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another;
 Rom 7:5	<i>For when we were in the flesh</i> , the motions of sins, which were by the law, did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death. (St. Paul, speaking of his life prior to his salvation)
 Rom 8:28	And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to [his] purpose.
 Rom 9:28	For he will finish the work , and cut [it] short in righteousness: because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth.
 Rom 11:6	And if by grace, then [is it] no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if [it be] of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work .
 Rom 14:20	For meat destroy not the work of God. All things indeed [are] pure; but [it is] evil for that man who eateth with offence.

 Every man's **work** shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be

1Cr 3:13	revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.
 1Cr 3:14	If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward.
 1Cr 3:15	If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.
 1Cr 9:1	Am I not an apostle? am I not free? have I not seen Jesus Christ our Lord? are not ye my work in the Lord?
 1Cr 15:58	Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.
 1Cr 16:10	Now if Timotheus come, see that he may be with you without fear: for he worketh the work of the Lord, as I also [do].
 2Cr 9:8	And God [is] able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all [things], may abound to every good work :
 Gal 6:4	But let every man prove his own work , and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another.
 Eph 4:12	For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:
 Eph 4:19	Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.
 Phl 1:6	Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform [it] until the day of Jesus Christ:
 Phl 2:12	Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.
 Phl 2:30	Because for the work of Christ he was nigh unto death, not regarding his life, to supply your lack of service toward me.
 Col 1:10	That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work , and increasing in the knowledge of God;
 1Th 1:3	Remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labour of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father;
 1Th 4:11	And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you;
 1Th 5:13	And to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. [And] be at peace among yourselves.
 2Th 1:11	Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of [this] calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of [his] goodness, and the work of faith with power:
 2Th 2:7	For the mystery of iniquity doth already work : only he who now letteth [will let], until he be taken out of the way.

 2Th 2:17	Comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work .
 2Th 3:10	For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work , neither should he eat.
 2Th 3:12	Now them that are such we command and exhort by our Lord Jesus Christ, that with quietness they work , and eat their own bread.
 1Ti 3:1	This [is] a true saying, If a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work .
 1Ti 5:10	Well reported of for good works; if she have brought up children, if she have lodged strangers, if she have washed the saints' feet, if she have relieved the afflicted, if she have diligently followed every good work .
 2Ti 2:21	If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, [and] prepared unto every good work .
 2Ti 4:5	But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.
 2Ti 4:18	And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work , and will preserve [me] unto his heavenly kingdom: to whom [be] glory for ever and ever. Amen.
 Tts 1:16	They profess that they know God; but in works they deny [him], being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.
 Tts 3:1	Put them in mind to be subject to principalities and powers, to obey magistrates, to be ready to every good work ,
 Hbr 6:10	For God [is] not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister.
 Hbr 13:21	Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom [be] glory for ever and ever. Amen.
 Jam 1:4	But let patience have [her] perfect work , that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.
 Jam 1:25	But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth [therein], he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work , this man shall be blessed in his deed.
 Jam 3:16	For where envying and strife [is], there [is] confusion and every evil work .
 1Pe 1:17	And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work , pass the time of your sojourning [here] in fear:
 Rev 22:12	And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward [is] with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

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Verses On “Working”

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☐ Mar 16:20	And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with [them], and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.
☐ Rom 1:27	And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.
☐ Rom 7:13	Was then that which is good made death unto me? God forbid. But sin, that it might appear sin, working death in me by that which is good; that sin by the commandment might become exceeding sinful.
☐ 1Cr 4:12	And labour, working with our own hands: being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we suffer it:
☐1Cr 9:6	Or I only and Barnabas, have not we power to forbear working ?
☐ 1Cr 12:10	To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another [divers] kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues:
☐ Eph 1:19	And what [is] the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,
☐Eph 3:7	Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.
☐ Eph 4:16	From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.
☐ Eph 4:28	Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with [his] hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth.
☐ Phl 3:21	Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.
☐ Col 1:29	Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working , which worketh in me mightily.
☐2Th 2:9	[Even him], whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,
☐ 2Th 3:11	For we hear that there are some which walk among you disorderly, working not at all, but are busybodies. (This one is for some “unconditionalists”).
☐ Hbr 13:21	Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom [be] glory forever and ever. Amen.
☐ Rev 16:14	For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, [which] go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

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Verses On “Worketh”
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 Jhn 5:17	But Jesus answered them, My Father worketh hitherto, and I work .
 Act 10:35	<i>But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.</i>
 Rom 2:10	But glory, honour, and peace, to every man that worketh good, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile:
 Rom 4:4	Now to him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, but of debt.
 Rom 4:5	But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness. (Sin is not imputed because his past evil deeds were forgiven).
 Rom 4:15	Because the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, [there is] no transgression.
 Rom 5:3	And not only [so], but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience;
 Rom 13:10	Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love [is] the fulfilling of the law.
 1Cr 12:6	And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all.
 1Cr 12:11	But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.
 1Cr 16:10	Now if Timotheus come, see that he may be with you without fear: for he worketh the work of the Lord, as I also [do].
 2Cr 4:12	So then death worketh in us, but life in you. *
 2Cr 4:17	For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding [and] eternal weight of glory;
 2Cr 7:10	For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death.
 Gal 3:5	He therefore that ministereth to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, [doeth he it] by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?
 Gal 5:6	For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love.
 Eph 1:11	In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

☞ Eph 2:2	Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:
☞ Eph 3:20	Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,
Phl 2:13	For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of [his] good pleasure.
☞ Col 1:29	Whereunto I also labour , striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.
☞ 1Th 2:13	For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received [it] not [as] the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.
☞ Jam 1:3	Knowing [this], that the trying of your faith worketh patience.
☞ Jam 1:20	For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God.
☞ Rev 21:27	And there shall in no wise enter into it anything that defileth, neither [whatsoever] worketh abomination, or [maketh] a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

***DELIVERED UNTO DEATH.** If one Christian is to minister life to another, he must share the sufferings of Christ and experience the working of death in his own life (vs. 12). Self-denial, affliction, disappointment, and suffering for Christ's sake will allow our lives to minister grace to others (11:23-29; Romans 8:36,37; Philippians 1:29; 1 Peter 4:14). Jesus taught this great principle of brokenness in John 12:24,25.

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