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LIVING WORTHY OF THE LORD

Part 2: Living A Life of Active Faith

How to NOT be a hypocrite

WALK IN A MANNER WORTHY OF THE LORD

For this reason we also, since the day we heard about it, have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you will **walk in a manner worthy of the Lord**, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;

strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all perseverance and patience; joyously giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

Colossians 1:9–12 NASB

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WE HAVE WORK TO DO!

“As for me, I baptize you with water for repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, and I am not fit to remove His sandals; He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

His winnowing fork is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clear His threshing floor; and He will gather His wheat into the barn, but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

Matthew 3:12 NASB

JAMES SAID...

My dear brothers and sisters, understand this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to anger, for human anger does not accomplish God's righteousness.

Therefore, ridding yourselves of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent, humbly receive the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

James 1:19–21 CSB

PUT YOUR WORKS WHERE YOUR MOUTH IS

But be doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. Because if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like someone looking at his own face in a mirror. For he looks at himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of person he was.

But the one who looks intently into the perfect law of freedom and perseveres in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer who works—this person will be blessed in what he does.

James 1:22–25 CSB

BRIDLE THE TONGUE AND GET TO WORK

If anyone thinks he is religious without controlling his tongue, his religion is useless and he deceives himself.

Pure and undefiled religion before God the Father is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

James 1:26–27 CSB

LET'S GET REAL

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but does not have works? Can such faith save him?

If a brother or sister is without clothes and lacks daily food and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, stay warm, and be well fed," but you don't give them what the body needs, what good is it?

In the same way faith, if it does not have works, is dead by itself.

James 2:14–17 CSB

INTEGRITY: BEING WHOLE, SERVING YOUR PURPOSE

But someone will say, “You have faith, and I have works.” Show me your faith without works, and I will show you faith by my works. **You believe that God is one.** Good! Even the demons believe—and they shudder.

Senseless person! Are you willing to learn that faith without works is useless?

James 2:18–20 CSB

WORKS IN FAITH PROVE FAITH TO BE TRUE

Wasn't Abraham our father justified by works in offering Isaac his son on the altar? You see that faith was active together with his works, and by works, faith was made complete, and the Scripture was fulfilled that says, Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness,, and he was called God's friend.

You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith alone.

In the same way, wasn't Rahab the prostitute also justified by works in receiving the messengers and sending them out by a different route? For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so also faith without works is dead.

James 2:21-26 CSB

THIS COULD HAVE BEEN THE WHOLE SERMON!

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but does not have works? Can such faith save him?

James 2:14 CSB

Above all, my brothers and sisters, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or with any other oath. But let your “yes” mean “yes,” and your “no” mean “no,” so that you won’t fall under judgment.

James 5:12 CSB

Attributes of a World Changer



BE REAL. STAY REAL.

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, And do not return there without watering the earth And making it bear and sprout, And giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,

So will My word be which goes forth from My mouth; It will not return to Me empty, Without accomplishing what pleases Me, And without succeeding in the matter for which I sent it.

Isaiah 55:10–11 LSB

**Faith Without Works
Does Not Work**

James 2:14–26

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OPPORTUNITIES AT THE THRESHING FLOOR

- **Men's Bible Study:** Tuesday, July 18th @ 9:00 AM
 - 1177 N Northfield Rd, Cedar City, UT 84721, USA – Clubhouse
 - Potluck Breakfast
 - See Dave Killian (Schedule TBD)
- **Pic-Nic at the Park:** Fridays @ 11:00 AM
 - Partners in Christ, Needs in Community (PIC-NIC)
 - Clothing Drive this Friday, July 21st – 10:30 am – 1:00 pm
 - Main Street Park, Gazebo (Library during inclement weather)
 - See Lainey, Jesse, or Jill
- **Rummage Sale:** August 5th @ CBI (More details to come)

OPPORTUNITIES AT THE THRESHING FLOOR

- Embrace Grace – See Cindy Killian
- Discipleship Opportunities: See Jay or Lainey
- Deliverance Ministry: See Jay, Lainey, Don Thomas, or Easter
- Elderly Visitation: See Jill
- Meal Ministry: See Lainey – **NEED VOLUNTEERS**
- Intercessory Prayer Team: See Easter or Andrea
- Operation Christmas Child: See Cindy Killian
- Henry's Place Volunteers: See Tony or Dara Spatafore
- Giving Opportunities: See Greg Spatafore
- **YOUR GOD IDEA!!!** – See Jay or Lainey