

Work-How do you value it?



Consider Your Work:

The **VALUE** placed upon **LABOR** is a key element in a society because it reflects the social structure as well as the scale of social values. One's society, even globally, is in a state of change, making for difficulties. The difficulties could be arrested in many ways. Would not a good, simple, common sense business management, if understood and practiced by the government, be a good starting point? But there are many things that can make for our discomfort, distress, etc. All of which exposes our limitations, and may be used to excuse our humanness. Humans require God's **Person, Presence** and His **saving grace** without which we fail to discover the reason for our existence.

It is needful to maintain a good attitude and action concerning work and toil which affects not only **one's society** but also **one's soul**. However, work in and of itself, offers no help or hope when it comes to being the person God would have you to be.

"Blessed is everyone that **fears the LORD**, that walks in His ways. For thou shalt eat the **labor** of thine hands: **happy shalt thou be**, and it shall be **well** with thee" (Psalm 128:1-2)

Consider God's Work:

Salvation, even eternal life is not earned by the good work and diligent labors of men: "**NOT BY WORKS** of righteousness which we have done, but according to **HIS MERCY** He saved us." Titus 3:5

The Lord Jesus said, "I have glorified Thee (God the Father) on the earth. I have **FINISHED THE WORK** which Thou hast given Me to do" John 17:4

A person cannot work his way to heaven. The Lord Jesus Christ made possible your **SALVATION** once and for all on the cross, and when He had finished paying the full debt of your sins He cried out, "**IT IS FINISHED!**" John 19:30

"By grace are ye saved through faith: and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God, **NOT OF WORKS** lest any man should boast." Eph. 2:8-9

"But to him that **WORKETH NOT**, but **BELIEVETH** on **HIM** that justifieth the ungodly, **HIS FAITH** is counted for righteousness" Romans 4:5

Salvation is not based on what I might do; it is based on what Christ has **ALREADY DONE!** Salvation is not earned by **WORKING**; but it is gained by **RECEIVING** and **RESTING** on the work of Another. Resting, relying on the Work of Christ makes for eternal safety and a good outworking in the believer's life, "But as many as **RECEIVED** Him, to them gave he power to become the sons (children) of God, even to them that **BELIEVE** on his Name." John 1:12-13

"He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life" (1 John 5:12-3). Are you resting your soul on the person of the Lord Jesus Christ and His saving work? Are you relying upon His sure Word?

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