

A Fine Piece of Work!

Eph. 2:8-10

The Believer's Position in Christ Series

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The progression from salvation to good works in Ephesians 2

- Dead in trespasses and sins
- Made alive in Christ
- Salvation is a gift by faith/ cannot be earned
- Salvation is for good works

Works defined

Understanding Eph. 2:10

1. "For we are His workmanship"
 - a. "Workmanship" = "have been made" (Rom. 1:20b)
 - b. Craftsmanship
2. "Created in Christ Jesus"
 - a. Creation is God's activity
 - b. Still we are to "put off your old self" (Eph. 4:22-24)
 - c. God's creative activity in us – a different perspective (Colossians 3)
 - i. Renewed = changed into something new
 - ii. Knowledge is precise and correct
 1. According to the image of the Creator [in Christ]

iii. Putting of the old self vs. putting on the new

Mortify, put off, kill, put away,	Put on
Sexual immorality	[There is no division now]
Impurity	Compassionate hearts
Passion	Kindness
Evil desire	Humility
Covetousness (= idolatry)	Meekness
Anger	Patience
Wrath	Bearing (putting up) with others
Malice	Forgiving each other
Slander	Put on love
Obscene talk	Christ's peace
Lies	Be thankful

3. "for good works,"

a. Titus 2:14 – "zealous for good works"

4. "that we should walk in them."

a. "Walk" defined

i. Order our life by

ii. Perpetual/ ongoing

iii. Habitual

b. "Walking" in Ephesians

2:10 ...works, which God hath before ordained that we should **walk** in them.

4:01 ...the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye **walk** worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are ...

4:17 ...and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth **walk** not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind,

5:02 And **walk** in love, as Christ also hath loved ...

5:08 ...but now are ye light in the Lord: **walk** as children of light:

5:15 See then that ye **walk** circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise,