Devoted to Good Works

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INTRODUCTION

- Repetition is one of the ways that the biblical writers emphasize the importance of something.
- In Paul's letter to Titus, one of the words that keeps coming up again and again is the word good.
- Let our people learn to devote themselves to good works so as to help cases of urgent need and not be unfruitful.

1 Devotion to Good Works Is Necessary

Ephesians 2:10; James 2:19–20; John 15:1–2

- One of the reasons for our existence as a people in the first place is so that we can engage in these good works.
- There is more involved in being a Christian than just abstaining from things that are wrong.
- For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.
- Even the demons believe and shudder. Do you want to be shown, you foolish person, that faith apart from works is useless.
- Being a Christian is to be in the business of doing good. It's actually to take the lead in that area.
- Either we bear fruit or we are not really disciples of Jesus.

2 Devotion to Good Works Is Learned

Hebrews 10:23–25; Titus 3:13; Ephesians 4:11–12

- Being devoted to good works isn't necessarily something that comes naturally to us.
- If it's convenience that we are waiting for, then we are waiting in vain.
- That's one of the things we do when we come together. We stir up one another to love and to good works.
- What this occasion provided was an opportunity for the disciples on the island of Crete to learn to engage in good works.
- Not by listening, not by watching, but by doing.
- To equip the saints for the work of ministry, for the building up of the body of Christ.

THE CHALLENGE

Have you been devoted to good works? If not, there's no better day than today to commit yourself to living that kind of life.

MY NOTES