YOU WON'T NEED ELBOWS IN HEAVEN



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But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.



Being like Jesus involves more than merely avoiding wickedness.





God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.



Good works were the evidence of Jesus' relation to God.



John 10:24, 25

Then the Jews surrounded Him and said to Him, "How long do You keep us in doubt? If You are the Christ, tell us plainly." Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in My Father's name, they bear witness of Me.





If I do not do the works of My Father, do not believe Me; but if I do, though you do not believe Me, **believe the works, that you may know and believe that the Father is in Me, and I in Him**."





Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father in Me, or else **believe Me for the sake of the works themselves**.



Luke 7:18–22

And John, calling two of his disciples to him, sent them to Jesus, saying, "Are You the Coming One, or do we look for another?" When the men had come to Him, they said, "John the Baptist has sent us to You, saying, 'Are You the Coming One, or do we look for another?" And that very hour He cured many of infirmities, afflictions, and evil spirits; and to many blind He gave sight.



Luke 7:18–22

Jesus answered and said to them, "Go and tell John the things you have seen and heard: that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, the poor have the gospel preached to them. And blessed is he who is not offended because of Me."





In the same way Jesus' good works were the evidence of His relation to the God, our good works are the evidence of our relation to Jesus.





"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 My Father.





Therefore, to him **who knows to do good and does not do it**, to him it is sin.



Titus 2:11–14

For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.



For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, **not of works**, lest anyone should boast. For **we are His workmanship**, **created in Christ Jesus for good works**, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.





We are not saved **BY** good works, but we are saved **FOR** good works.





When the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?"



Good works are the evidence of genuine faith.



James 2:14–17

What does it profit, my brethren, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can faith save him? If a brother or sister is naked and destitute of daily food, and one of you says to them, "Depart in peace, be warmed and filled," but you do not give them the things which are needed for the body, what does it profit? Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

James 2:18–20, 26

But someone will say, "You have faith, and I have works." Show me your faith without your works, and **I will show you my faith by my works**. You believe that there is one God. You do well. Even the demons believe—and tremble!... For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

Hebrews 10:24, 25

And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.



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Isaiah 14:12-14

How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, you who weakened the nations! For you have said in your heart: "I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation on the farthest sides of the north; I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High."



Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.



Philippians 2:3–8

Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.







Therefore, whatever you want men to do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.



The story is told of an artist commissioned to make two paintings... one of heaven and one of hell.



In heaven none will think of self, nor seek their own pleasure; but all, from pure, genuine love, will seek the happiness of the heavenly beings around them. If we wish to enjoy heavenly society in the earth made new, we must be governed by heavenly principles here.



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The completeness of Christian character is attained when the impulse to help and bless others springs constantly from within.





Matthew 25:31-33

"When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left."

Matthew 25:37–44

"Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink?... "Then they [the wicked] also will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?"





Amazingly, both the righteous and the wicked respond to Christ with the exact same question... "Lord, when did we see you?"



