A Biblical View of Work According to Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, and Colossians

God Worked Mightily to Reach the Nations

"(For he that <u>wrought</u> effectually in Peter to the apostleship of the circumcision, the same was mighty in me toward the Gentiles:)" *Galatians 2:8*

The Works of Law Do Not Justify Us

"Knowing that a man is not justified by the <u>works</u> of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the <u>works</u> of the law: for by the <u>works</u> of the law shall no flesh be justified." *Galatians 2:16*

The Works of the Law Do Not Bring the Holy Spirit

"This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?" *Galatians 3:2*

The Works of the Law Do Not Produce Miracles

"He therefore that ministereth to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, doeth he it by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?" Galatians 3:5

Abiding Under the Works of the Law Results in a Curse

"For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them."

Galatians 3:10

Faith Works by Love

"For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love." *Galatians 5:6*

The Terrible Grocery List of the Works of the Flesh

"Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told *you* in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God." *Galatians 5:19-21*

We Must Each Prove Our Own Work

"But let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another. *Galatians 6:4*

God Works!

"In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:" *Ephesians 1:11*

God Works by His Mighty Power

"And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power," Ephesians 1:19

God's Greatest Work Comes through Christ

"Which he <u>wrought</u> in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set *him* at his own right hand in the heavenly *places*," *Ephesians 1:20*

The Devil Works in the Lives of Those Who are Disobedient

"Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:" Ephesians 2:2

Our Works Do Not Save Us

"For 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." *Ephesians 2:8-9*

God Made Us and Planned Good Works for Each of Us to Do

"For we are his <u>workmanship</u>, created in Christ Jesus unto good <u>works</u>, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them." *Ephesians 2:10*

God's Power Makes Us Ministers

"Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power." Ephesians 3:7

His Power That Works Can Do Awesome Things

"Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us," Ephesians 3:20

The Work of the Ministry is to Build up Christ's Body

"For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:" *Ephesians 4:12*

The Body of Christ Works

"From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love." Ephesians 4:16

Uncleanness Works In the Lost

"Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness." Ephesians 4:18-19

Honest Work is Noble

"Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth." Ephesians 4:28

The Works of Darkness Do Not Produce Good Fruit

"And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them." Ephesians 5:11

God Does Not Stop Working in Your Life; You Can Count On It!

"Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ:" *Philippians 1:6*

We Need to Work out our Salvation

"Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling." *Philippians 2:12*

God's Joyful Purpose is to Work in Your Life

"For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure." Philippians 2:13

There is a Cost to Do God's Work

"Because for the <u>work</u> of Christ he was nigh unto death, not regarding his life, to supply your lack of service toward me." *Philippians 2:30*

God's Work Will One Day Transform our Bodies

"Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself." *Philippians 3:21*

God Desires Us to Produce Good Fruitful Works

"That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;" Colossians 1:10

Our Wicked Works Separate Us from God

"And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in *your* mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled." *Colossians 1:21*

God Works in Us in Mighty Ways

"Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily." Colossians 1:29