# "Work of Salvation"

"We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work." (John 9:4)

#### **Faith that Works**

Ephesians 2:8-10 – 8 "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, 9 not a result of works, so that no one may boast. 10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them."

James 2:17 - "So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead."

## **Jesus' Toil**

<u>John 5:17</u> – "But Jesus answered them, 'My Father is working until now, and I am working."

<u>Matthew 20:28</u> – "Even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Philippians 2:5-7 – <sup>5</sup> "Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men."

# **End Times Motivation**

Hebrews 11:6-7 – <sup>6</sup> "And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. <sup>7</sup> By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith."

## **Service & Sluggishness**

Hebrews 6:9-12 – 9 "Though we speak in this way, yet in your case, beloved, we feel sure of better things—things that belong to salvation. <sup>10</sup> For God is not unjust so as to overlook your work and the love that you have shown for his name in serving the saints, as you still do. <sup>11</sup> And we desire each one of you to show the same earnestness to have the full assurance of hope until the end, <sup>12</sup> so that you may not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises."

## **Service & Sorting**

Matthew 25:31-36 – <sup>31</sup> "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. <sup>32</sup> Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. <sup>33</sup> And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. <sup>34</sup> Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. <sup>35</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, <sup>36</sup> I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.'"

# **Eleventh Hour Service**

Matthew 20:6-8 – 6 "And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?'

They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.'"

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