

Ready & Equipped

November 30, 2019



What would **others** write about you?



What would **others** write about you?

YOUR NAME HERE

DROVE TOO
FAST

SAID UNWISE
THINGS

HE WAS A
CHRISTIAN?

What WILL God say about you?



What WILL God say about you?

YOUR NAME HERE

WELL DONE

GOOD AND

FAITHFUL

SERVANT

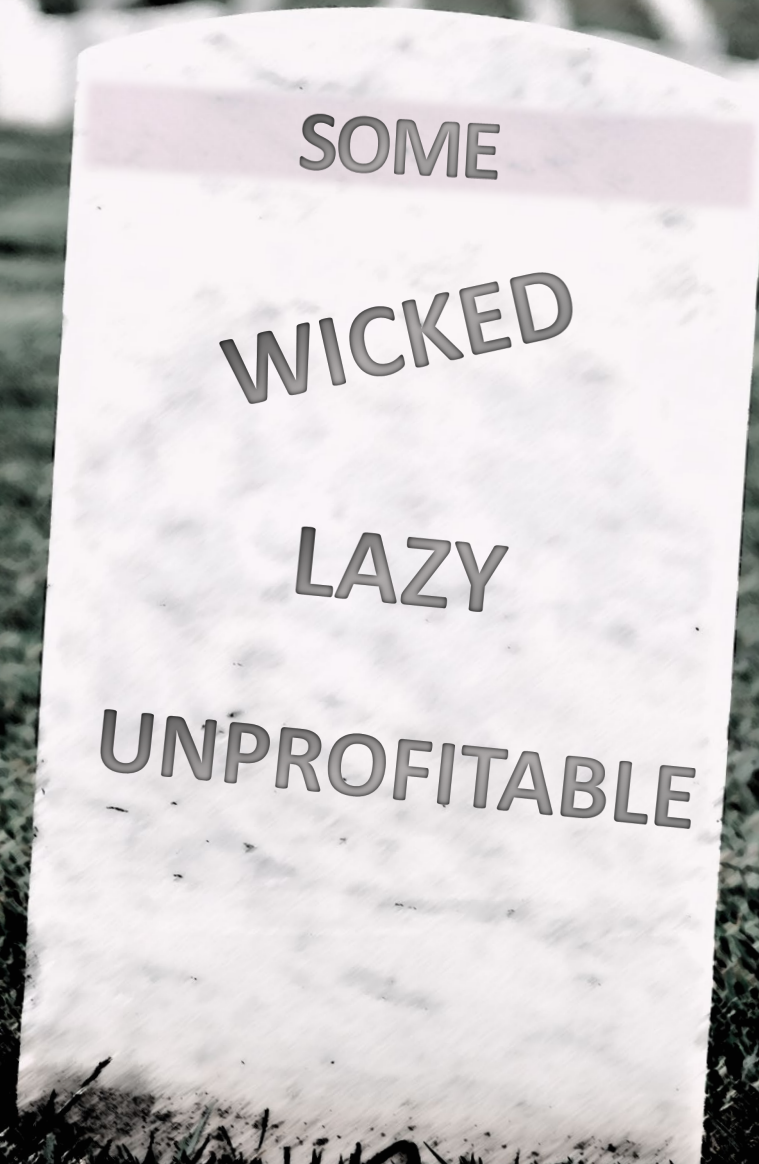
MATTHEW 25:14-29

WELL DONE

GOOD & FAITHFUL
SERVANT;

you were faithful
over a few things, I will
make you ruler over many
things. Enter into the
JOY of your lord.'

What will God say about SOME?



'...wicked and
lazy servant,
YOU KNEW...'

- MATTHEW 25:24-30

Your Name Here

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WELL DONE

GOOD & FAITHFUL SERVANT



What **NOW**?

Between today...and Christ's return

Purpose of this Message

1. Is there anything for me to DO?
2. If so, WHAT?
3. HOW can I do it?

aka, How can I fulfill God's purpose—for me—in this life?

WHAT MUST I DO?

Ephesians 2:8 For **BY GRACE** you have been **SAVED** through faith, and that not of yourselves; **IT IS THE GIFT** of God, 9 not of works, lest anyone should boast.

Ephesians 2:10 For we are His **workmanship, created** in Christ Jesus **FOR GOOD WORKS...** (Ephesians 4:24, Colossians 3:1)

Ephesians 2:10 ...which **GOD PREPARED BEFOREHAND** that we should **WALK IN THEM**.

THE **QUESTION** | WILL WE...

Walk **IN** or **Past**

The **Good Works** God **Prepared** Beforehand for Us?



'Two Keys' Takeaway

- Be **READY**
TO DO GOOD WORKS

BE READY

Titus 3:1 **REMIND THEM**...to be **READY** for **EVERY** good work...

Titus 3:8 This is a **FAITHFUL SAYING**, and these things I want you to **AFFIRM CONSTANTLY**, that those who have believed in God should be **CAREFUL TO MAINTAIN GOOD WORKS**. These things are good and profitable to men.

1 Timothy 6:18 Let them **DO GOOD**, that they be rich in **GOOD WORKS**, **READY** to give, willing to share... (NKJV)

1 Timothy 6:19 **TREASURING AWAY** for themselves a good foundation for the coming *age*, **THAT** they may lay hold on **EVERLASTING LIFE**. (LITV)

WARNING: LUKE 14:16-24 "...invited...made excuses...". **NOT READY!**

'Two Keys' Takeaway

- Being **READY**
TO DO GOOD WORKS
- Being **EQUIPPED**
TO DO GOOD WORKS

BE EQUIPPED

SCRIPTURE

2 Timothy 3:16 **ALL SCRIPTURE** is given by inspiration of God, and is **PROFITABLE** for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, **THOROUGHLY EQUIPPED** for **EVERY GOOD WORK**.

DOCTRINE

2 Timothy 2:15 Be diligent...a worker...rightly dividing the word of truth. 19 ..."Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity." 21 ...if anyone cleanses himself from [these], he will be...useful for the Master, prepared for every good work.

SERVICES

Ephesians 4:11 ...He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, 12 **FOR THE EQUIPPING OF THE SAINTS** for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ...

MATTHEW 25

34 ...the King will say... 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you ...' 35 for I was hungry and you gave Me food;...you gave Me drink...you took Me in; 36 ...you clothed Me...you visited Me;...you came to Me.' 37 "Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we [do these things]? :40 '...inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.'

41 "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me...into the everlasting fire... 42 for I was hungry and you gave Me no food...you gave Me no drink; 43 ...you did not take Me in...you did not clothe Me ...you did not visit Me.' 44 "Then they also will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when [didn't we do this]?' 45 Then He will answer...'inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.'

“...USEFUL FOR THE MASTER...”

– 2 TIMOTHY 2:21

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GOOD & FAITHFUL SERVANT;

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