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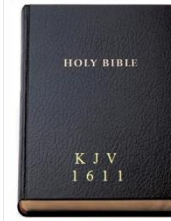
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Study to shew thyself approved unto God" (2 Tim 2:15)

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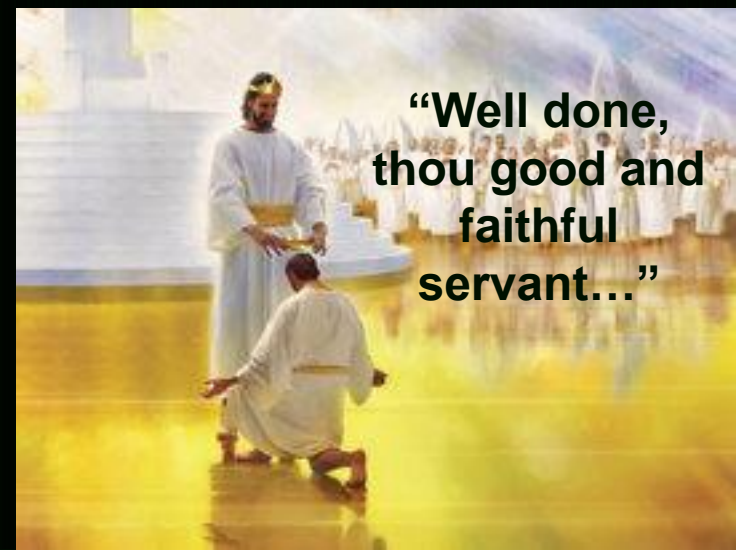
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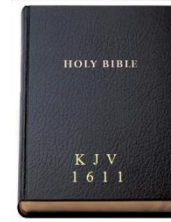


earned by
FAITHFUL SERVICE



“Well done,
thou good and
faithful
servant...”

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V. The PROCESS

1. The REQUIREMENT Of Our Service- Faithfulness

1 Cor 4:2

Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

Matt 25:21

His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

Luke 12:42-43

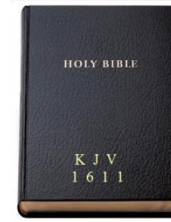
42 And the Lord said, Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom *his* lord shall make ruler over his household, to give *them their* portion of meat in due season?

43 Blessed *is* that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.

Luke 19:17

And he said unto him, Well, thou good servant: because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities.

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- Faithfulness includes PERSEVERANCE and PROPORTIONED results based on ability

Gal 6:9

And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season **we shall reap, if we faint not.**

Rev 2:10

Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast *some* of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: **be thou faithful unto death,** and I will give thee a crown of life.

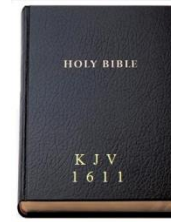
Rev 3:11

Behold, I come quickly: **hold that fast which thou hast,** that no man take thy crown.

Luke 12:48b

For unto whomsoever **much is given, of him shall be much required:** and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more.

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Matt 25:14-15,19-23

14 For *the kingdom of heaven is* as a man travelling into a far country, *who* called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods.

15 And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to **every man according to his several ability**; and straightway took his journey.

19 After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them.

20 And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, **thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five** talents more.

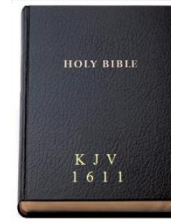
21 His lord said unto him, **Well done, thou good and faithful servant**: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

22 He also that had received two talents came and said, Lord, **thou deliveredst unto me two talents: behold, I have gained two** other talents beside them.

23 His lord said unto him, **Well done, good and faithful servant**; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

- That faithfulness is proportioned to ability is evident by the fact the servant who had five talents was deemed “good and faithful” for gaining FIVE talents, but the servant who had two talents was deemed “good and faithful” for gaining TWO talents

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2. The RULER Of Our Service- the word of God

1 Cor 3:13

Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and **the fire shall try every man's work** of what sort it is.

- 1) The word of God is likened to fire
- 2) The word of God is the basis of divine judgment cf. (Heb 4:12)
- 3) The word of God is the means of salvation cf. (1 Cor 3:15)

Jer 23:29

Is not my word like as a fire? saith the LORD; and like a hammer *that* breaketh the rock in pieces?

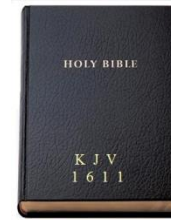
John 12:48

He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: **the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.**

1 Pet 1:23

Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, **by the word of God**, which liveth and abideth for ever.

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3. The REVIEW Of Our Service

1) The MANNER of our work

- The fire of the word of God will determine what sort our work is- whether it is GOOD or BAD

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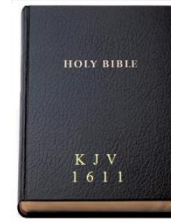
Ecc 12:14

For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

2 Cor 5:10

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things *done in his body*, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

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1 Cor 3:12,14-15

12 Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;

14 If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward.

15 If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.

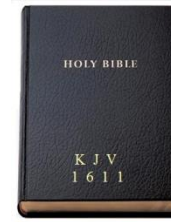
A. GOOD work

- Good work is represented by gold, silver, and precious stones
- Good work COMPLIES with the word of God (i.e.- it is lawful) (2 Tim 2:5)
- Good work ENDURES the fire
- Good work equates to FAITHFUL service (Matt 25:21)

B. BAD work

- Bad work is represented by wood, hay, and stubble
- Bad work CONTRADICTS the word of God (i.e.- it is unlawful)
- Bad work is ERADICATED by the fire
- Bad work equates to SLOTHFUL service (Matt 25:26)

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2) The MOTIVE of our work

- WHY we do or don't do something is just as important to the Lord as WHAT we do or don't do
- There are only two motives that will constitute GOOD and FAITHFUL service

A. Our work must be out of LOVE for the Lord

2 Cor 5:14

For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead:

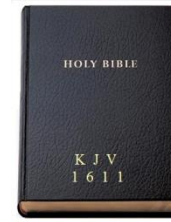
1 The 1:3

Remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labour of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father;

Heb 6:10

For God *is* not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister.

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B. Our work must be for the GLORY of the Lord

Job 36:24

Remember that thou magnify his work, which men behold.

Matt 5:16

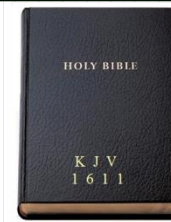
Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

1 Cor 10:31

Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.

1 Pet 4:11

If any man speak, *let him speak* as the oracles of God; if any man minister, *let him do it* as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.



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