

July 5, 2015

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." (Matthew 5:16 ESV)

"Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is."

(Ephesians 5:15–17 ESV)

The Problem:

"The Lord will send on you curses, confusion, and frustration in all that you undertake to do, until you are destroyed and perish quickly on account of the evil of your deeds, because you have forsaken me." (Deuteronomy 28:20 ESV)

"The Lord will strike you with madness and blindness and confusion of mind," (Deuteronomy 28:28 ESV)

The Solution

"And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." (Ephesians 2:1–10 ESV)

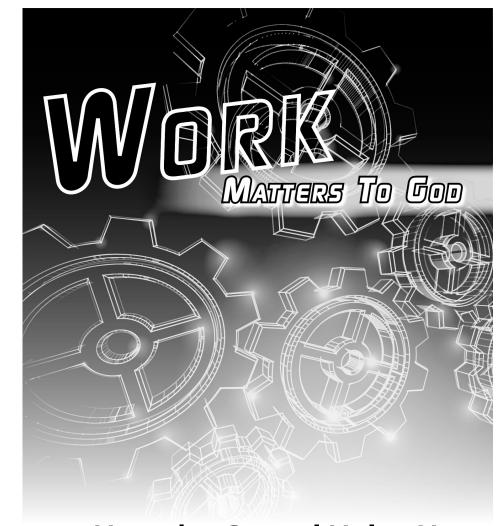
How the Solution is the Solution

"For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses or forfeits himself?" (Luke 9:25 ESV)

"Of Issachar, men who had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do," (1 Chronicles 12:32 ESV)

Discerning and Doing What's Best Next

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How the Gospel Helps Us Get Things Done

Effective work is God-glorifying work.

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