

But be doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves - James 1:22

By Grace, Through Faith, For Good Works

Ephesians 2:1-10



Study

What is the main point of the passage? Write a 2 or 3 sentence summary of the passage.

According to verse 8, how have we been saved?

Describe why it is by grace through faith and not by faith.

How is faith not a work?

What type of works are verse 9 about?

What does it mean that we were created "for good works?"



Think About It

What is the relationship between God's work and man's in salvation? How can salvation be said to be all of grace, yet still require faith? How does this passage reconcile with James 2:14-26? From this passage, Romans 4:1-8, and James 2:14-26, provide a definition for faith.

Do you think a person can be saved and have no fruit? Why or why not? Defend your answer with other passages of Scripture. Why do you think we might struggle with the biblical teaching here?

How does a proper view of salvation destroy pride? Why do you think we still struggle with spiritual pride even after salvation? How can we combat spiritual pride in our lives?
