



Romans 6:13 (NLT)

...Instead, give yourselves completely to God...now you have new life...

Now What?

Being a Christian means that we no longer use the _____
we can exert to _____ our own agenda,
but God's—which is to _____ Him,
_____ the good news of God's love,
and _____ our brothers and neighbors.

Therefore, let us offer through Jesus a continual sacrifice of praise to God, proclaiming our allegiance to his name. **And don't forget to do good and to share with those in need.** These are the sacrifices that please God. Hebrews 13:15–16 (NLT)

So why are good works so important if I am saved by Grace?

1. They glorify God.

In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father. Matthew 5:16 (NLT)

2. They demonstrate that our faith is real.

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. Ephesians 2:10 (KJV)

It means giving our _____
and _____ to those in need.

“We are not saved by faith plus works,
but by faith that works.” —Augustine

Good works are not about _____ activities scattered through your life, but about the _____ of who you are and how we are to _____ out our life.

What is God's Plan?

- It is _____.

And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them. Romans 8:28 (NLT)

- It is _____.

- It cannot be _____.

It is the same with my word.

I send it out, and it always produces fruit.

It will accomplish all I want it to,

and it will prosper everywhere I send it.

Isaiah 55:11 (NLT)

SO WHAT?

- **Let Go and Be Real.** God has created a masterpiece in you! Live it out with confidence and zeal.
- **Ask yourself what has God created for you to do.**
- **Start.** How can you make a difference in someone's life today and this week?
- **Understand that the Church is the greatest agent for change in the world.**
- **Live with Joy.**

*Those who listen to instruction will prosper;
those who trust the LORD will be joyful.*

Proverbs 16:20 (NLT)