

# #hashtag

Week 2 – #savingfaith #goodworks

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.  
(Ephesians 2:8-10)

1.) Faith is not something man does, but something **#God** gives

**#powerless** – Ephesians 2:1 – As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins. Ephesians 2:8 – ...and this is not from yourselves...

**#holyspirit** – 2 Corinthians 12:3 – No one can say, “Jesus is Lord,” except by the Holy Spirit.

**#meansofgrace** – Romans 10:17 – Faith comes from hearing the message and the message is heard through the word of Christ

**#freegift** – Ephesians 2:8-9 – It is a gift of God--not by works so that no one can boast.

2.) Faith is not based on my feelings and **#emotions**, but on the **#rocksolid** words and promises of God

**#childlikefaith** – Luke 18:17 – “I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.”

**#confidence** – Hebrews 11:1 – Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.

3.) Good works flow from faith and **#giveglory** to God

**#motivated** – Ephesians 2:10 – For we are God’s workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works , which God prepared in advance for us to do.

**#pointstoponder**

1.) We so often take our faith in Jesus for granted! When's the last time you stopped to marvel at the gift given by the Holy Spirit? Take the time to consider how this gift fills you with comfort and confidence.

2.) Compare and contrast the faith of the little children and the disciples in Luke 18. What lesson does Jesus teach you about faith?

3.) What is your motivation for doing good works? Look up 2 Corinthians 5:14-15, Titus 2:14 and 1 John 4:19.

**#homework:** Acts 8:26-40 & Romans 1:16