

The Work of God

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God worked six days in creation. On the seventh day the divine record states that he rested. [Gen. 2:2] He rested because His works were finished. It is important to note that if we are to do the work of God in the Earth we need to pattern ourselves after the manner of which our Father works. God's works were produced by the speaking of His Word. God worked by speaking in faith. In Genesis chapter one, we see the words "God said" ten times! Let there be light...let there be an expanse...let there be seas...let their be lights...etc. God created and worked by using His Word.

Psa 33:6 By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth.

God spoke out what was in His heart and the work was done by His Word. After he had spoken God rested in what He had said. However, God did not rest for long. Soon after God finished creation, Adam and Eve sinned and were separated from Him and so God went back to work to bring redemption to the Earth! We see this when Jesus said:

Joh 5:17 But He answered them, "My Father is working until now, and I Myself am working."

In Genesis chapter two we see that God rested from all His works. But here in the gospel of John, Jesus states that until now His Father had been working and that He was also

working. This is because God went back to work to bring redemption to mankind. But how did God do His work in bringing forth redemption? Again He did it by speaking His Word. From Genesis chapter 3 to Malachi, God spoke forth the redemptive plan. He spoke forth His plan for mankind and their redeemer through many prophets, types, and shadows. God spoke out His Word and it was manifested in the person of Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ is the Word of God. God did His work through His Word-The Lord Jesus Christ. God spoke the Word and the Word did the work for Him. Jesus came to perform the work of God. Jesus Himself showed us how the Father works. Jesus went about speaking in faith. He told demons to go! He told raging seas to cease! He rebuked fever and sickness! He spoke for the dead to rise! Jesus works were done by the Word. In culmination of His work, Jesus went to the cross for our sins and was raised from the dead. He ascended to heaven and sprinkled His own blood upon the heavenly mercy seat. This blood speaks far better things than that of Abel, which cried for vengeance. [Gen. 4:10] Jesus blood forever cries out for mercy on our behalf before the throne of God! [**Hebrews 12:24**] After Jesus had completed this He sat down! His was a finished work. The Father's work and Jesus work are finished. We were raised with Christ and were seated with Him. We are called to rest in the finished work of God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. However, we are also left here in the natural realm to do God's work in the Earth which is to represent Jesus to the world by our lives and testimony. How are we to do this work? This work is done the same way the Father works. This work is done when we labor to enter into God's finished works. When we learn to stop trying to "do" for God and rest in the "done" of God, then we will experience peace and victory and be the testimony God has called us to be. Let's look at our text again.

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The labor in the Christian life is to enter the rest in His finished work which was done at the cross. Our work is done in and through faith in God's Word. It is very important to read scriptures in context. The very next verse in this context shows us how to do the work of God in our life. The next verse starts with the word "For". This means it connects the thought in the verse before it.

*Heb 4:12 [Literal Translation] **FOR** the Word of God is living, and powerfully working, and sharper than every two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of both soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge of the thoughts and intentions of the heart;*

The Word of God is powerfully working! God spoke His word and rested while His word worked! The Lord Jesus was the Word that was manifested and He finished the work of His Father! The Word is established! We are called to God's rest while His Word works for us! It works powerfully! We are now to believe, speak, and act on God's Word. When we believe in our heart and speak with our mouth the completed Word of God then the Word works in our behalf! The Word states that we are healed, we are prosperous, we are holy, we are righteous, we are delivered from sin and bondage, we are more than overcomers, we are the children of God, and we are

bondage breakers! Are you saying the same thing as the Word is saying? What have you been saying more than anything else lately? That is what you will have and experience! We are blood bought, Spirit taught, pew jumping, devil thumping, Word quotin', demon smotin', healing, kneeling, children of God! We need to start speaking the Word of God folks and not just here and there a little in a pinch! We need to reframe our heart, mind, and life by saying what God says. We can do this without being arrogant, obnoxious, or being confession police. We have enough to do to police our own mouth! God's work is done by His Word. We are to labor to enter His rest. We enter His rest by believing and speaking His Word over our lives, jobs, family, possessions, ministries, situations, and to our enemy. Jesus told us that mountains are moved by speaking in faith, not grunting with a shovel. Start doing the work of God today by meditating on what the finished work that the Word of God- Jesus- has accomplished for you and speak it! Speak it and rest on it and watch it work for you in every area of your life! To see the Word work in our lives takes patience continuance. We cannot speak God's word for a day or two and when things don't change then give up and start speaking what we see, hear, think, and feel. A farmer does not plant a seed and then dig it up the minute he doesn't see the blade pop out of the ground. Keep the seed of the Word in the ground and keep watering it silly! This takes patience and this is what will bring forth character in your life. **[Romans 5:4]** The Word works powerfully! Plain and simple. Are you going to let it work for you?