

WE ARE A CO-LABORER WITH GOD

God, in His infinite wisdom, has decided to work in, through, and with us!

God has decided to use us to accomplish His purposes!

I. WE HAVE WORK TO DO

Each one of us count and are important to God's work! **Ephesians 2:10**

We are not called to be sitting around and simply contemplating life.

II. OUR WORK IS IMPORTANT

1. Because God has given each a unique and special mission. **1 Cor 12:12-31**

2. Because the need is so great. **Luke 10:1, 2**

You have an important part in God's Plan!

III. OUR WORK IS FOR GOD

1. What we do is to be for God's glory. It is for His honor.

You are the light of the world— **Matthew 5:15, 16**

2. We don't work for our salvation. We work because we are saved

IV. OUR WORK WILL BE COSTLY

It is easy to give God things that don't cost us anything.

But real work for God will cost you something.

V. OUR WORK MUST BE DONE GOD'S WAY **1 Corinthians 3:21-23**

The world depends on prestige & the influence of money & important people.

The Lord depends on prayer, the power of the Spirit, humility & sacrifice.

VI. OUR WORK WILL BE REWARDED

The Bible speaks of definite rewards, or "crowns" which await us.

a. There is the "**Crown of Life**" for those who love Jesus and endure temptation.

James 1:12

b. There is the "**Crown Eternal**" for those who discipline their lives in the race.

1 Cor. 9:25

c. There is the "**Crown of Rejoicing**" for those who work at winning souls.

1 Thess. 2:19

d. There is the "**Crown of Righteousness**" for those who love His appearing.

2 Tim. 4:8

e. There is the "**Crown of Glory**" for those who faithfully shepherd God's flock.

1 Peter 5:4

Even if there were no Crowns-

The work is worth it!