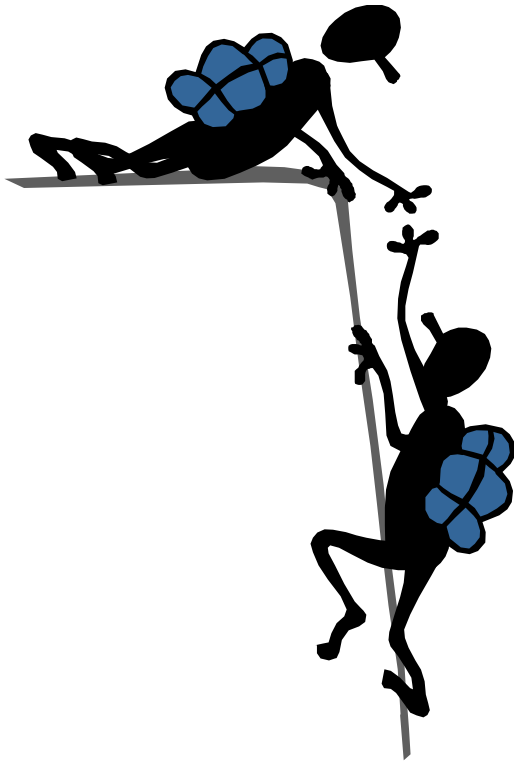


“THINGS CHRISTIANS CAN DO”



1 Thessalonians 5:12-28

“Christians are doers”



**We urge (v.12), exhort (v.14), and charge you (v.27)
HERE'S THE LIST!!!!**

About a dozen and a half Things to do

IN THE CHURCH – vs. 12 & 13 “brethren”

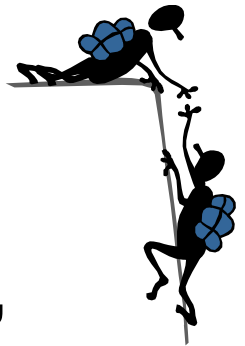
IN THE COMMUNITY – vs. 14 & 15 “all”

IN CHRIST – vs. 16-24 “you”

REMEMBER - “Christians are doers”

1Thess. 5:11 –” just as you also are doing.”

Matt 24:46 – “Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes, will find so doing.”



“Christians are doers”



- Eph. 6:6 - “doing the will of God from the heart,”
- Eph. 6:7 - “with goodwill doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men,”
- 2Thess. 3:13 - do not grow weary in doing good.
- Heb. 13:2 - Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some have unwittingly entertained angels.
- 1Pet. 2:15 - For this is the will of God, that by doing good you may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men—

1. *Respect those who help you grow*
(vs. 12, 13)



Remember chapter 2 ???

“and so were the churches established in the faith” (Acts 16:4, 5)

“God has set the members of the body as it pleased Him” (I Corinthians 12:18)

“He gave..., for the..., that we..., from whom..” (Ephesians 4:11-16)

“watch for your souls” (Hebrews 13:17)



2. *Be an “others” person* (vs. 13c-15)



“Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.” Philippians 2:4

“Timothy, who will sincerely care for your state” Philippians 2:19, 20

“Epaphroditus, who ministered to my need; Philippians 2:25

“Epaphras, laboring fervently for you, that you may..” Colossians 4:12

2. Be an “others” person (vs. 13c-15)

- 1. Be at peace – Romans 12:18**
- 2. Warn – Romans 15:4 Galatians 6:1**
- 3. Comfort – John 11:19, 31**
- 4. Uphold – Ecclesiastes 3:9-12**
- 5. Be patient – Colossians 3:13**
- 6. Pursue what is good – Romans 12:17, 19-21**

*“Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all,
especially ...”* Galatians 6:10

3. *Work out God's will (vs. 16-18)*



1. Rejoice – Philippians 1:18; 2:18; 4:4

2 . Pray – Luke 5:16; 6:12; 9:28; 18:1

3. Give thanks – Colossians 1:12; 3:17

This attitude and action pleases God and makes us pleasant to be around!

4. Sanctify the Spirit (19-22)

“I will send, He shall be in you, He shall teach you, He shall guide you” (John 14:16)

- 1. Don't quench – Acts 5:3,9; Ephesians 4:30**
- 2. Don't despise – 2 Timothy 4:2-4; Titus 1:16**
- 3. Test, hold fast to – 1 John 4:1**
- 4. Abstain – 1 Timothy 2:22; 1 Peter 2:11**

5. Remember the Power (vs. 23,24)

“.. He who has begun a good work in you *will complete it ...*” Philippians 1:6

“work out your own salvation..; for it is God *who works in you..*” Philippians 2:12,13

“*I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.*” Philippians 4:13

HE WILL DO IT - AMEN !!!

6. Bolster the Brethren (vs. 25-28)

- 1. Pray for them – Colossians 1:9; 4:3**
- 2. Greet them – Acts 20:1; Romans 16:1**
- 3. Read with them – Acts 15:21,31**



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