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Required Works

"What is required of me to do His will, to do the works prepared for me, to love as He loved, to love my wife, to be prepared for the minchah, and to be prepared for our Master?"

Require — to demand authoritatively, to command, to order. A requirement is that which is required or demanded, as in obedience to the gospel, and all our lives in Messiah, as the proving ground of our faith (Rom 12:3).

"I know your works... done in lukewarmness..."

1 Jn 3:1-3 corresponds to Mal 3:1-3.

Rev 3:10 — "You have kept My requirements to you about patient endurance..." (Lk 19:13-17), "now you will rule the nations." Rev 2:25 is a requirement for verse 26 — doing the works that are required of you. What is required to qualify for rulership?

Mt 22:37-39; Dt 6:5; Lev 19:18; Mic 6:8

You must ask your Master, "What then is required of me to enter into the kingdom reign of Messiah?"

What is the requirement? What is demanded as necessary to be worthy of Him, to rule with Him? (Jude 1:23-24; Rev 3:4)

"To be worthy of the kingdom, what is required of me?" (Rev 3:21)

What are the required works? To serve Him, but how? (Jn 12:26)

What will be the works prepared for you (Eph 2:10) to do in perfect unity? (Eph 4:16; 2:22; Rev 21:3)

"Is there anything that is imposed as a compulsion or a command I am compelled to do? What are the conditions of entering the Kingdom after I am saved?" (Eph 1:13)

Why is there an "if" in Col 1:23? What is essential there? What is the condition?

"So after I am sealed with the Spirit, is there anything required of me to be worthy of Messiah as in Rev 3:4-5?"

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For the Christian

What am I required to do? Am I required to pray? To read my Bible? To memorize verses? To be good, not drink, smoke, or go to movies? Is it required that I don't do bad things?

What does Jn 14:15,21 mean? What commandments am I required to obey? What is the requirement for being a Christian?

What was required of Messiah Yahshua to take away my sins? What did He have to do before He died on the cross? Were all the requirements met in His death on the cross? What did He have to do to fulfill the requirement of a pure sacrificial offering?

What must one do to be among those whom He will save, who are eagerly waiting for Him? Heb 9:28 — Is it required that I be eagerly awaiting Him, and if not, what? What if I'm not eagerly waiting for Him?

Heb 10:37-39 — What do these verses have to do with Heb 9:28, since Heb 10:38 says that it is possible for one of His "righteous ones" to shrink back when He returns?

Heb 10:36 — Do we have to do the will of God? What is that?

Heb 10:35 — How can I throw away my confidence? (1 Jn 2:28)

What about Dan 12:2? Rev 3:20-21?

Heb 10:22 — What if I don't draw near, and how do you do that? What is required of me to be able to draw near?

Heb 10:26 — What if I go on sinning in these ways?

What is required of me to be worthy as in Rev 3:4-5, and to receive the unfading crown of glory when He comes? (1 Pet 5:4; Jms 1:12; 2 Tim 4:8; Rev 2:10)

Is being faithful required for being included in Rev 17:14?

Heb 13:17 — Am I required to do this?

Rev 2:11; 3:5 — What if I don't conquer? Will I be hurt by the second death? Will my name be blotted out of the book of life?

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Am I required to do 1 Pet 5:5-9 so that verse 10 will happen? What if I don't do all that is required of me to do in verses 5-9, especially if I am a youth?

What if I don't do 2 Ths 2:15 or 3:6?

What if I went through all of the New Testament and the Old Testament scriptures and did not obey some of the commandments for God's people to do? Am I required to obey His commandments? What if I don't obey them after coming to the knowledge of the truth? (Heb 10:26)

Are Heb 10:26-31 and 6:4-6 speaking about those who are saved? Who are God's people? Heb 10:30-31 — Who are His people who are judged and fall into the hands of the living God?

Heb 10:32-38 — Just think about the first disciples after Pentecost. So what is required of me after I'm sealed with the Holy Spirit?

What was required of the first disciples after the day of Pentecost in Acts 2:36-41? What were those many other words in verse 40? What did those who believed in Jn 3:16 do after they were saved? Acts 2:44-45 — If they did not do this, were they still saved? Or were they even saved in the first place? (Jn 2:23-25)

Were the two in Acts 5:1-11 saved? (Rev 3:19) Where are they today? (2 Cor 5:8) Did they do what was required of them — the many other words of Acts 2:40 and Mt 28:19-20? What about 1 Jn 3:16? What about Jn 13:34? Are these requirements?

Is 1 Jn 3:14 related to Jn 5:24? How can one claim Jn 5:24 but not do what is required of him? Jn 9:41 — Do you see? (1 Jn 2:4)

1 Jn 2:6; 3:16 — How did He walk?

Jn 8:31-32,51 — So what is required of you? (Jn 3:36; 8:51; 2 Ths 1:8; Acts 5:32) "Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not **obey** the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him [eternally]." (Jn 3:36, ESV, RSV)

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Jms 2:14,19 — So what if you do not **do** the works prepared for you to do? (Eph 2:10) Prepared for you means required for you to spend your life doing in the Body (Eph 4:16).

Jms 1:12 — So to remain steadfast under trial is to love Him; the crown is promised to those who love Him. What does it mean to love Him? What did it mean for Him to love us?

Only after one is *approved*, having *stood the test*, will he receive the victor's Crown of Life, or will he be found in the Book of Life (Rev 2:11; 3:5).

1 Jn 3:16 is the definition of Love. We know love by this: He stood the test and was approved. Rom 5:1-5 — Each one of His disciples *must* go through various kinds of trials to be tested and approved. When we have stood the test, we are promised Phil 3:10-11 and Rev 3:21.

Rev 20:4 — "Then I saw thrones, and seated on them were those to whom the authority to judge was committed. Also I saw the Male Child and the ones who were faithful during the first $3\frac{1}{2}$ years of the Tribulation, when the Mark of the Beast was first being given in the tribal areas just before we fled to the wilderness." (Dan 7:9,22,25)

Rev 20:6 — "Blessed and holy" — spiritually whole (Eph 4:15), with unimpaired innocence and proven virtue, having stood the test (Acts 14:22) and been approved.

Over them the second death for believers has no power, no hold on them.

Phil 3:8-11 — "The surpassing worth of knowing Messiah Yahshua, my Master!" For His sake we do Phil 3:12-16 until verse 21.