

THE THIRD ARTICLE OF THE APOSTLES' CREED: THE SPIRIT'S GIFTS AND GOOD WORKS

What gifts does the holy Spirit give believers through faith in Christ, and how do we show our appreciation for these gifts?

1. Why does Scripture use the word “enlighten” to describe the work of the Holy Spirit in bringing us to faith?

a.)

b.)

Enlighten:

2. What are some of the gifts the Holy Spirit enlightens me to see by faith?

a.)

3. What change in attitude did the Holy Spirit work in us when he brought us to faith?

a.)

b.)

c.)

4. Where do we get the ability to do good works?

a.)

b.)

5. Brainstorm: List the many reasons people give for doing good deeds.



6. What motivates us to gladly do good works?

a.)

7. How do we know what God considers good?

a.)

b.)

Good Works:

APPLICATION

1.) Which of the following three pictures is a Christian doing good works? Why?

- a. A remote control car runs wherever its owner directs it.
- b. A small child picks up her toys without her mother asking her to do it.
- c. A lion roams the forest, eating and sleeping as it pleases.

2.) Which of the following three illustrations best pictures the works you do in your life?

- a. A small branch on an apple tree loaded with perfect fruit.
- b. A branch on a dying apple tree that has some withering fruit.
- c. A branch on an apple tree that has some good fruit on it and some fruit that has worms on it.

3.) A Muslim man jumps in front of an oncoming train to rescue a child who has fallen onto the track. You spontaneously set the dinner table before supper.

As far as God's concerned, which of the two has done a truly good work? Why?

Assignment

- Memory work:
 - Ephesians 2:10
 - Hebrews 11:6a
 - Psalm 119:105
- Complete the Take-Home Quiz s