

# The Works that He does Bears Witness of Him

"I can of My own self do nothing; as I hear, I judge; and My judgment is just; because I seek not My own will, but the will of the Father who has sent Me. If I bear witness of Myself, My witness is not true. There is another who bears witness of Me; and I know that the witness which he witnesses of Me is true. You sent unto John (the Baptist), and he bore witness unto the Truth. But I do not receive testimony (witness) from man; but these things I say, so that you might be saved. He (John) was a burning and a shining light; and you were willing for a season to rejoice in his light. **But I have greater witness than that of John: for the works which the Father has given Me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of Me**, that the Father has sent Me. And the Father Himself, who has sent Me, has borne witness of Me." (John 5:30-37)

**Greater Witness:** from the Greek words *meizo* and *martyrian* and which mean: 'greater-than witness' - from '*megas*' which means: large, great, in the widest sense; of greater proving power. And from '*marturia*' which means: witness, testimony, evidence, reputation. The context is: the greater testimony of proof establishing the Messiahship and the Divinity of Jesus is His works=. The further context is that Jesus has a greater witness (concerning who He really is) than that of John the Baptist who bore witness of Jesus as follows:

"There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same (John the Baptist) came as a witness, to bear witness of the Light (Jesus), so that all men through Him (through Jesus) might believe. He (John the Baptist) was not **that Light**, but was sent to **bear witness of that Light (Jesus)**." (John 1:6-8)

"John answered them, saying, 'I baptize with water; but there stands One among you, whom you do not know; ... He it is, who coming after me **is preferred before me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie**.' The next day John saw Jesus coming unto him, and said, '**Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world**. This is He of whom I said, 'After me comes a Man which is preferred before me; for **He was (existed) before me**;' (John 1:15); And I did not know Him; but that He should be made manifest to Israel, therefore I have come baptizing with water.' And John **bore-witness**, saying, '**I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon Him**. And I knew Him not: but He (God the Father) who sent me to baptize with water, the **Same (God)** said unto me, 'Upon whom you shall see the Spirit descending, and remaining on **Him, the same is He (Jesus) who baptizes with the Holy Spirit**.' And I saw, and **bare-witness that this is the Son of God**.' " (John 1:26-27, 29-34)

(Now John was only bearing witness of what God the Father revealed to John the baptist.)

**The Works:** from the Greek words *ta erga* which means: the-works; the things accomplished; from *ergon* which means: a work; a task, a deed, an action; something which is done, and accomplished, or made. In context: Jesus is speaking of the Greater Works that He will do that prove that He is the Christ-Messiah, the Son of the Living God, even God in human form.

**Has Given to Me (by the Father):** from the Greek words *dedoken* and *moi* which means: has-given me; from *didomi* which means: to give or offer - in various senses literally or figuratively. And *moi* the personal pronoun me - Jesus is referring to Himself. The context is referring to the things, deeds, works, and actions, that the Father has given to His Son Jesus to accomplish and finish: both for our salvation, and as proof that He is the God's promised Christ-Messiah.

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**To Finish:** from the Greek word *teleioso* which means: to finish; to complete, to accomplish, to perfect, to consummate; literally: to bring to an end. In context: the goal of Christ Jesus' First Coming ministry is to accomplish and completely finish the works which the Father has given to Him to do. (the context also includes the fulfilling of prophetic scripture)

**The Same:** from the Greek words *ta auta* (an impersonal pronoun) which means: the same; the same-things; those-things, these things. In context: the same works that the Father has given to Jesus to accomplish and finish, these are the same works that Jesus Himself did, and that bear witness, and prove, that Jesus is all that the prophetic scriptures proclaim the promised Christ-Messiah of God to be!

**That I Do:** from the Greek words *ha poio* which means: that I-do, which I-do; from *poieo*. which means: to do, to make, to perform, to produce. The context is: Jesus does the works that the Father has entrusted to Jesus to accomplish, and to their finished completion.

**Bear Witness:** from the Greek word *martyrei* which means: to bear-witness; to provide-testimony, to provide evidence of proof. The context is: all the amazing works (miracles, actions, etc. ...) that Jesus did; these works bear witness, and provide proof, that Jesus is indeed the Father's promised Messiah and Savior of the world.

**Of Me:** from the Greek words *peri emou* which means: of me, about me, all about me; or concerning me. Properly: *peri* means: all-around (on every side); encompassing, used of full (comprehensive) consideration where "all the bases are covered". The context is that the works that the Father gave Jesus to do, and which Jesus did to their completion, these same works provide complete all around witness and testimony that Jesus is whom the works prove Him to be - even the Christ-Messiah, the Son of the Living God, even God incarnate - the Word made Flesh; and the Savior-Redeemer of mankind from sin and eternal damnation.

After John the Baptist had been cast into prison, and perhaps with a bit of doubting, he sent to ask if Jesus was truly the coming Messiah. Jesus sent back to John, confirming that he was the coming One, based on the testifying evidence of miracles, and anointed preaching. Please consider the following:

"Now when John (the Baptist) had heard, in the prison, about the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, to say unto Him, 'Are You the Coming One, or do we look for another?' Jesus answered and said unto them, 'Go and tell John again those things which you do hear and see: the blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them. And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in Me.' .... But wisdom is justified by her works." (*ergon*: or deeds, or children when followed by a personified noun - such as wisdom)" (Matthew 11:2-6; **please read in context - through verse 19**)

Jesus was very careful to point out that He could not do anything (works, miracles, etc.) apart from the Father, including even greater works than those mentioned above. Please consider the following response Jesus spoke to His adversaries:

"Then Jesus answered and said unto them, '**Truly, truly**, I say unto you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever things He (the Father) does, these (things) also the Son does likewise. For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself does: and He (the Father) will shew Him (Jesus) **greater works than these**, so that you may marvel. For as the Father raises up the dead, and makes them alive; even so the Son makes alive whom He will." (John 5:19-21)

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Please also consider the following 'testifying' miracle that Jesus performed, that illustrates the blindness of some, and the 'seeing' of others:

"And as Jesus passed by, He saw a man who was blind from his birth. And **His** disciples asked Him, saying, 'Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?' Jesus answered, 'Neither has this man sinned, nor his parents; but that **the works of God should be made manifest in him. I must work the works** of Him (the Father) who sent Me while it is day; for the night is coming, when no man can work. As long as I am in the world, **I am the Light of the world**. When He had thus spoken, He spit on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and He anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay, and said unto him, 'Go, wash in the pool of Siloam, ... . He went his way therefore, and washed, and came (up) seeing. ... " (John 9:1-7, ... **please continuing reading through verse 41**)

The many miracles, and authoritative teachings of Christ Jesus, can be read about within the four Gospel accounts; and when you read through those Gospels remember that they all bear witness of who Jesus truly is. But the **greater works** that Jesus did was accomplished on the Cross of Calvary – even the salvation **of all** who trust, believe, and receive Him; and then are '**made alive**' in Christ Jesus! Please consider the following:

"These words Jesus spoke, and lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify Your Son, so that Your Son also may glorify You. You have given Him power over all flesh, so that He (speaking of Himself) **should give Eternal Life to as many as You have given to Him**. And this is **Life Eternal: that they might know You the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom You have sent**. I have glorified You on the earth; **I have finished the Work which You gave Me to do**. And now, Oh Father, glorify Me with Your own Self with the Glory which I had with You before the world existed." (John 17:1-5)

Please also consider the following:

"After this, Jesus knowing that **all things** (His testifying works) **were now accomplished**, so that the scripture might be fulfilled, said, 'I thirst.' Now there was sitting (nearby) a vessel full of vinegar, and they filled a sponge with vinegar, and put it upon hyssop, and put it to His mouth. When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, '**It is finished**;' and He bowed his head, and gave up the spirit." (John 19:28-30)

"Look unto Jesus **the Author and Finisher** of our faith; who for the joy that was set before Him **endured the Cross**, despising the shame, and has sat down at the Right Hand of the Throne of God." (Hebrews 12:2)

## The Works that Jesus did Bears Witness of Him

**All the Works that the Father gave to Jesus to do – Jesus accomplished!**

**All these Works that Jesus accomplished – bore witness of who Jesus was!**

**Truly, All these Works that Jesus did provided irrefutable evidence that Jesus is the Father's promised Christ-Messiah; and He is the Son of God, even God incarnate!**

**The Father's Greatest Work for Jesus to accomplish was His death on the Cross for the Salvation of mankind – even for all who believe on Him.**

**This work of Christ Jesus was accomplished when He said, "It is Finished" !!!**

**All praise and Honor be to You Lord Jesus –  
for You are the Author and Finisher of our faith in You!  
Truly truly, Always and always, Eternal Life in and Through You !!!**