What Are You Doing?

Eph. 2:10 "For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them."

Everyone in Christ Jesus has been created to accomplish something. We are His work and have been prepared for our own work, a return on His investment. We are to walk in them. As we walk, more of them are discovered and completed.

Eph. 4: 7 "But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift."

We have what we need right now, but it's dormant. It's in seed form. Our grace is not yet fully developed. There's only one way for our grace to grow and develop so that we can complete what we're here for. That's by abiding in Him.

John 15: 4-5 "Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit. For without Me you can do nothing."

Fellowship with the Lord is the greatest work of all. It's the primary thing. All else is secondary. If we don't believe that, we end up chasing the secondary and miss out on the primary. (Mark 3:14)

The primary brings the secondary to pass, and brings much more as well. Life becomes an adventure of miraculous provision.

As we abide, there comes a point our grace is developed and we are sent with His blessing.

I Cor. 3: 9-11 For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, you are God's building. According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it. For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

In this passage Paul uses two metaphors to describe our work. We are as a <u>field</u> and a <u>building</u>. As a field, some plant and others water, but God gives the increase.

As a building, one lays the foundation and another builds on it, but Christ is the foundation that we all build on.

Without these important steps of abiding and honoring, all of our work will be done in the flesh and will fail to produce as He intends. Man might be impressed but God is not glorified, and in the end our works will be burned (I Cor. 3: 13-15).

The point is that in whatever we do, we must keep Christ first. All of our work should flow out of relationship with Him and focus on Him by honoring His word and His Spirit. This is what enables the grace to flow, so He can use us as He desires.