

Doing Good Deeds is the Right Conduct in the Edah

The previous night, while the brothers were working on the lodge, Alain's son (our neighbor) came to the lodge with a big 4x4 and smashed the glass door of the lodge.

1 Tim. 3:14,15 How should we conduct ourselves in the church. We could do a skit on that - of course you walk in and sit down in your pew, look straight at the preacher, sing a song, do a responsive reading, listen for half an hour to a sermon and go back out shaking the preacher's hand telling him that his sermon was good. This is what we were trained to think about 'how we should conduct ourselves in the church'.

But the word church correctly translated is 'edah'. It is not a building. You don't conduct yourself in the church when you go home. He writes all these things about how you conduct yourself in the community.

2 Tim. 3:12

We were breaking bread one night years ago and we were singing - not very loud - and Alan's father came over and was banging on the window and was really mad at us. I don't think he realized what he was doing. He has gone on to his reward. [*He died in the meantime.*]

Evil men in the church - they worm their way into the community wanting their own glory. That is what destroyed the edah. Acts 20:17 All the elders of the church in Ephesus came. You couldn't do that today, especially in a Protestant country. Even from those elders that came to Paul some would arise seeking their own glory.

2 Tim. 3:13-17 from childhood, even we if we have believing children they will be made wise through knowing the scriptures.

Only those who have done these good deeds will be taken up and be able to wear the fine linen - the righteous deeds of the saints. She will be the bride for one thousand years. After that she will become the wife.

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Rev. 19 The bride knew how to conduct herself in the community. They were perfected in and through those works.

V. 14 Only those who did the good deeds and were zealous for them will be part of these armies. If you are not zealous you won't do good deeds and won't be taken up.

We won't be faithful if we don't do the good deeds and are zealous for them. The bride - they learned from infancy to do these good deeds and they were perfected in them, being made suitable for Him. Rev. 17:14

Paul said we were redeemed from doing our own things. Titus 2:14 You have to be led; we have to be careful to be led to do good deeds. We were chosen, picked out, specifically given gifts in our natural life. We were specifically chosen because of our gifts. We used to do lawless deeds with them. But now in Messiah we received grace and faith which needs to be added to these gifts to do good deeds.

Matt. 25:14 If we don't do it we will be cast out of the kingdom, we will not be taken up with Him. A worthless person doesn't have zeal for the deeds he was chosen to walk in. Faith came to us and we operate and exercise our gifts by grace and faith. The bride is the twelve-tribed nation, all working together, seeking the kingdom first, doing good deeds.