

The background of the slide is a vibrant landscape photograph. A bright sun is setting or rising over a range of mountains, creating a warm, golden glow across the sky and the terrain. In the foreground, a river flows through a valley, reflecting the light from the sun. The mountains in the distance are layered, creating a sense of depth. The overall mood is peaceful and majestic.

# Christ's Gifts To the Church

December '25 Sermon Series

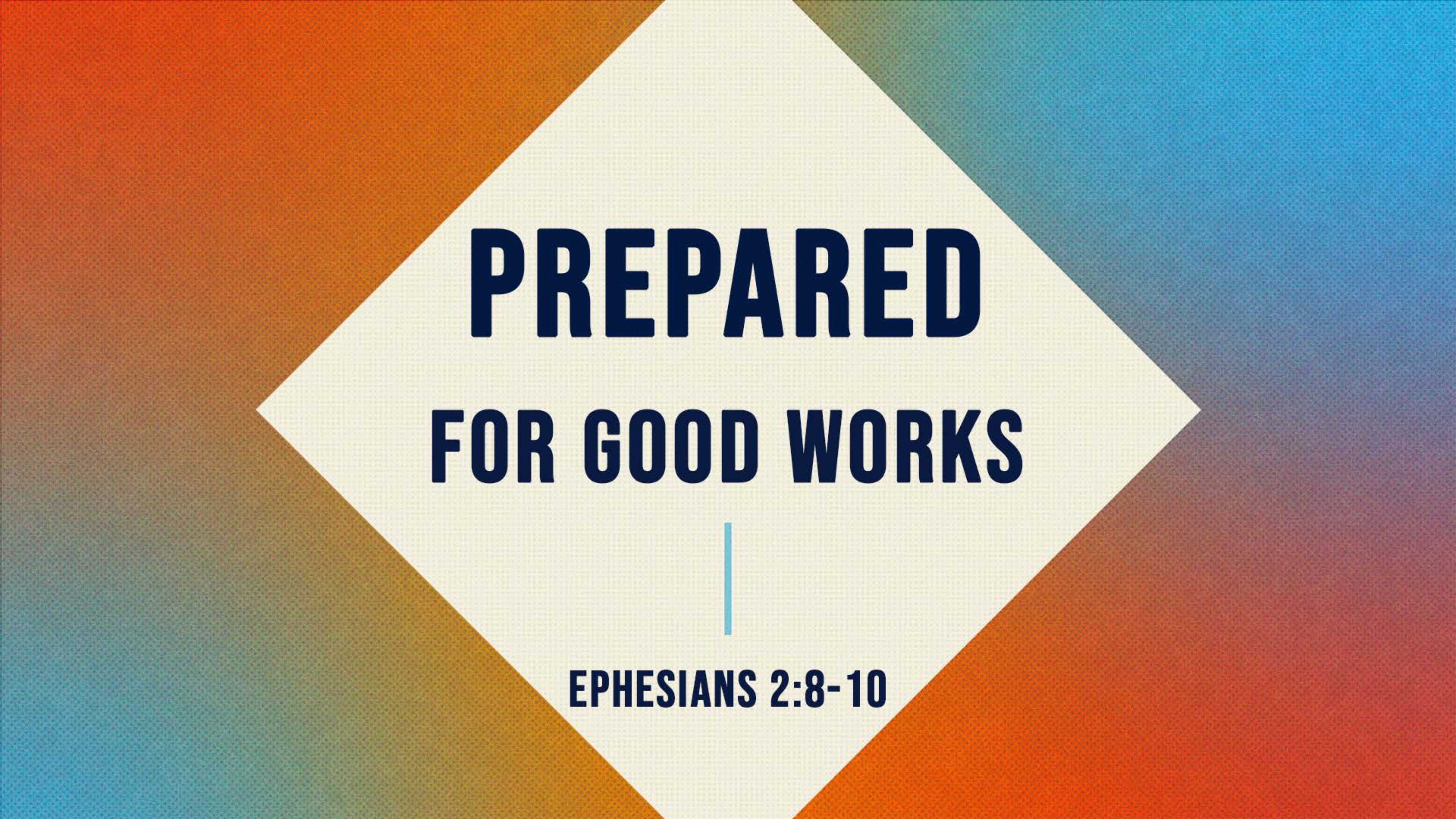


8 For you are saved by  
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this is not from yourselves;  
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# **PREPARED FOR GOOD WORKS**



**EPHESIANS 2:8-10**



# **Saved by Grace: The Foundation, Not the Finish Line**

**Ephesians 2:8-9**

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9 **not from** \_\_\_\_\_, so that  
no one can boast.



9 **not from works**, so that  
no one can boast.



# **We Must Not Misunderstand Grace**

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9 not from works, **so that**  
**no one can boast.**



# **We Are His Workmanship – A New Identity**

**Ephesians 2:10**

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# 10 For we are his

\_\_\_\_\_, created in

# Christ Jesus for good

works, which God prepared

ahead of time for us to do.



10 For we are his  
workmanship, created in  
Christ Jesus for good  
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ahead of time for us to do.



10 For **we** \_\_\_\_ his  
workmanship, ...



10 For **we are** his  
workmanship, ...



# Where the New Identity Comes From

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10 ... \_\_\_\_\_ **in Christ**  
**Jesus** for good works,



10 ... created in Christ  
Jesus for good works,



24 and to **put on the \_\_\_\_\_**  
**\_\_\_\_\_, the one created**  
**according to God's likeness**  
**in righteousness and purity**  
**of the truth.**



24 and to **put on the new  
self, the one created  
according to God's likeness  
in righteousness and purity  
of the truth.**



17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, **he is a new creation**; the old has passed away, and see, the new has come!



# Created for Good Works - Prepared Ahead of Time

Ephesians 2:10

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10 ...created in Christ Jesus  
for \_\_\_\_\_, ...



10 ...created in Christ Jesus  
for good works, ...



**Your Service is Not Accidental**

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FOR GOOD WORKS**



10 ..., **which God prepared**

....



10 ..., which God prepared  
ahead of time ....



# **Good Works are Intentional**

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# **Good Works are Personal**

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FOR GOOD WORKS**



10 For we are his  
workmanship, created in  
Christ Jesus for good  
works, **which God prepared  
ahead of time \_\_\_\_\_ to do.**



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Christ Jesus for good  
works, **which God prepared  
ahead of time for us to do.**



**Good Works are Ready - We Do Them, Not  
Invent Them**

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Christ Jesus for good  
works, which God prepared  
ahead of time for us **to do.**



10 For we are His  
workmanship, created in Christ  
Jesus for good works, which  
God prepared beforehand **so**  
**that we would \_\_\_\_\_ in them.**



10 For we are His  
workmanship, created in Christ  
Jesus for good works, which  
God prepared beforehand **so**  
**that we would walk in them.**









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# *As We Close*

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# **No Christian is Unneeded in the Work of God**

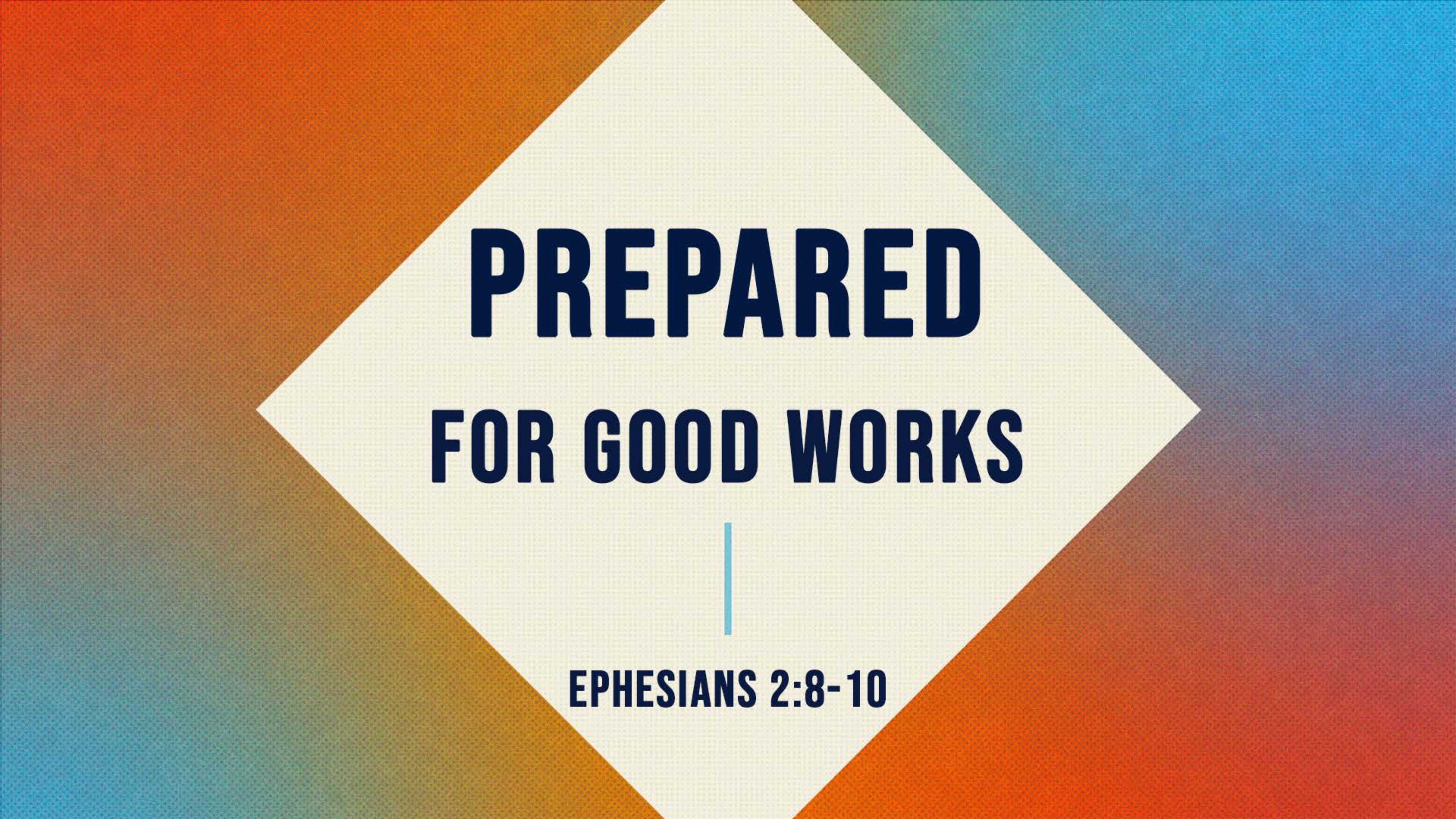
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**Will you walk in what  
God has already  
prepared?**

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