

## Deacon's Beacons

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Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. Hebrews 13:16

Here is where we sometimes find contention with our brothers and sisters of Reformation tradition churches. Read what the passage says. It does not claim that, by doing good works, you can earn your way into heaven. We do not believe that. We believe that salvation is a gift from God freely given. What we do with that gift is where this verse enters into the discussion. Jesus told us that the two greatest commandments are to love God with all of our being and to love our neighbor as ourselves. This fits directly into the latter part of that. What it is saying is that it pleases God when we do good works.

Féile Phádraig shona daoibh go léir!

Go raibh síocháin Chríost a bheith in éineacht leat.

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