

Appalachian Homeless Mission

The Scriptural Basis

Apart from the leading of the Holy Spirit towards God's specific will, God has given the Founder numerous scriptures supporting the vigorous implementation of the Appalachian Homeless Mission. These may be equally addressed to the co-workers and supporters of this Mission:

James 2:14 What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but does not have works? Can this kind of faith save him? If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, keep warm and eat well", but you do not give them what the body needs, what good is it? So also faith, if it does not have works, is dead being by itself.

Luke 10:2 He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into his harvest.

Psalms 62:12 Surely you will reward each person according to what he has done.

Psalms 127:1 (BUT) If the Lord does not build a house, then those who build it work in vain.

Psalms 82:3-4 Defend the cause of the weak and fatherless; maintain the rights of the poor and oppressed. Rescue the weak and needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked.

Isaiah 41:13 For I am the LORD, your God, who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you.

Isaiah 41:17 The poor and needy search for water, but there is none; their tongues are parched with thirst. But I the LORD will answer them; I, the God of Israel, will not forsake them.

Isaiah 58:10: and if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday.

Luke 9:62 Jesus said to him, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

God's Will: Mathew 7:21-23: "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name and in your name drive out demons and perform many miracles?' Then I will tell them plainly, 'I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!'"

This is one of only three of Jesus' most dire warnings. One of His chief causes on earth, and His *raison d'être*, was to do His Father's will and He sets the example for us, to do the Father's will. He hardly set another more defined example of obedience to the Father's will.

Hebrews 10:7 Then I said, 'Here I am: I have come to do your will, O God.

To do God's will is clearly the heart of Jesus, not only an essential command from the Scriptures. The heart to do God's will is likewise at the heart of this project.

Deut 23.21 "If you make a vow to the Lord your God, do not be slow to pay it."

