

# THE BELLEVILLE MESSENGER

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## What Can I Do Today?

Have you ever woke up and asked yourself, what can I do today? I venture to say that at some point in your life you have probably asked yourself this question, and some of us even more than others. However, may we all consider some things that we as Christians can and should do each and every day.

1. **You can pray.** I have heard it said that prayer should be the key that unlocks the day, and the key that locks the night. Simply put, we should be in communication with our Father in heaven daily. Therefore, when you are looking for something to do, always remember that you can pray. (Luke 18:1; Ephesians 6:18; 1 Thessalonians 5:17; James 5:16)
2. **You can be thankful.** We all have so much to be thankful for. Therefore, when considering what you can do today, be mindful to be thankful for all that you have, and never overlook the so called “small things,” but rather in everything give thanks to God, and be one who is thankful. (Colossians 3:15, 4:2; 1 Thessalonians 5:18)
3. **You can treat others as you would like to be treated.** Wouldn't it be great if everyone would seek to treat others in the same manner that they themselves would like to be

treated? You see, when asking yourself what can I do today, one thing that should come to mind is I can do to others, just as I would have them do to me. (Matthew 7:12; Luke 6:31)

4. **You can hold fast to what is good, and do good.** When considering what to do, make holding fast to what is good, and seeking to do good a priority. You see, brethren, as children of God we should always abhor what is evil, and cling to what is good, always remembering that our God is well pleased with us when we do good. (Romans 12:9, 17; 1 Thessalonians 5:21-22; Hebrews 13:16)
5. **You can look out for the interest of others.** Sadly, we live in a society today that is very self-centered. Too many today possess a selfish attitude, and they make everything all about them, and they often never consider the interest of others. However, when thinking about what you can do today, consider looking out not only for your own interest, but also for the well-being of others. (1 Corinthians 10:24; Philippians 2:3-4)
6. **You can seek to live peaceably with all men.** When asking what can I do today, be ever mindful of the need to pursue peace with all men. My beloved brethren, never forget, as the people of God, we need to daily make it our aim to do whatever we can on our part to live peaceably with all men. (Romans 12:18; Hebrews 12:14)
7. **You can search and meditate upon the Scriptures.** When you ask yourself what can I do? Know that you can always open up your Bible to search and meditate upon the Scriptures. You see, we all should search the Scriptures daily, and study to show ourselves approved to God. Therefore, when looking for something to do, search the

Scriptures and meditate upon them. (Acts 17:11; 2 Timothy 2:15; 1 Timothy 4:13, 15; Psalm 1:1-3)

8. **You can tell someone about the gospel of Jesus Christ.** When contemplating what can I do? Understand that your time will be well spent in telling someone about the gospel of Jesus Christ. You see, the gospel of Christ is the power of God unto salvation, and there are many who are in need of hearing the soul-saving gospel of Jesus Christ. Therefore, when looking for something to do, tell someone about the gospel of Jesus Christ, and let them know the consequences of not obeying it. (Romans 1:16; 2 Thessalonians 1:6-10)
9. **You can rejoice.** As Christians, we should be the happiest people on earth, knowing that we have the hope (i.e. desire plus expectation) of eternal life in heaven. So, when you are debating upon what you can do, remember to rejoice always in the Lord. (Philippians 4:4; 1 Thessalonians 5:16)
10. **You can do whatever you do to the glory of God.** Brethren, no matter what you choose to do today, when you consider what you can do today, just remember to do whatever you do to the glory of God! You see, as God's child you must remember to always strive to let your light so shine before others, and you must never forget, whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. (Matthew 5:14-16; 1 Corinthians 10:31)

So, when asking yourself, what can I do today? May you consider doing all of the things mentioned above, knowing that by doing all of these things, God will be well pleased!

✍️ *Brad Phillips*

## God's Plan of Salvation

**Hear the word of God. (Romans 10:17)**

**Believe in Jesus Christ. (John 8:24)**

**Repent of your sins. (Acts 17:30)**

**Confess Jesus Christ. (Matthew 10:32)**

**Be baptized for the remission of sins. (Acts 2:38)**

**Remain faithful unto death. (Revelation 2:10)**

*“For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth: to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.” (Romans 1:16)*

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#### Schedule of Services

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| Sunday Bible Study .....     | 9:30 a.m.  |
| Sunday Morning Worship ..... | 10:30 a.m. |
| Sunday Evening Worship ..... | 4:00 p.m.  |
| Wednesday Bible Study .....  | 7:00 p.m.  |

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