

How A Christian Is Like A Watch

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By taking something with which we are familiar we can draw some simple comparisons

Let's show how a Christian is like a watch.

1. FULL OF GOOD WORKS. A watch is full of good works. Each one who is a Christian should be full of good works also. It is said that Dorcas, "was full of good works and alms deeds which she did" (Acts 9:36). This woman was not only full of good works but she did good works! Every individual member of the church must "be ready to every good work" (Titus 3:1). We are also admonished, "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith" (Gal. 6:10).
2. KEEPS GOING IN ALL KINDS OF WEATHER. We have cold weather this winter but my watch has kept right on going regardless of the weather. Paul has told us to be steadfast. "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord" (1 Cor. 15:58).
3. HAS USEFUL HANDS. The hands on a watch are important and useful. The hands of a Christian are important and have purpose. Solomon said, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do; do it with all thy might ..." (Eccl. 9:10) Let's find a use for our hands and use them for good.
4. CLEANLINESS INSURES GOOD PERFORMANCE. For a watch to function properly, it must be kept clean. This is also true of a Christian. He must have a clean heart. The Psalmist said, "Create in me a clean heart" (Ps. 51:10). We are made clean by the word (John 15:3).
5. THE MAIN SPRING MUST BE KEPT RIGHT. The main spring in watches must be kept right for them to run properly. The heart of man is his main spring and it must be right. "Keep thy heart with all diligence for out of it are the issues of life" (Prov. 4:23).
6. HAS TO BE REGULATED. Often times a watch has to be adjusted for accuracy. Christians need to be regulated. We are regulated by the word of God. Paul said, "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works" (2 Tim. 3:16-17).

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