

Daily Devotion For October 2, 2021



For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast. **For we are God’s handiwork**, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” Ephesians 2:8-10

Yesterday I went by the City of Seaside City Hall to take a look at the “Masterpiece” that Tomiye Tanaka painted for the city’s autumn art competition. We congratulate our amazing 98 year young Tomi as she won First Place!!

The above scripture tells us that we are God’s handiwork. Other translations say, “workmanship” or “masterpiece”. Through God’s grace, we are God’s handiwork, workmanship and masterpiece.

God doesn’t make damaged goods or mediocre products. You may not feel like a masterpiece today. Perhaps your body is aging and you are struggling with the things you used to do without a second thought. Or maybe you are struggling with a particular sin in your life. So, how is it possible that you are God’s Masterpiece?

You are God’s masterpiece, not because of how you feel, how accomplished you are or how moral you are. You are God’s masterpiece because of what Christ has done in your life by dying on the cross to forgive you and offer you eternal life.

Thought For Today: How do you respond to the idea that you are God's handiwork, accomplishment, workmanship, or masterpiece? Do you ever think of yourself in this way?

Today’s Prayer Focus: Thank God that you are His masterpiece and are saved by Grace and not by anything that you have done. Continue to pray this week’s prayer fuel. Deo Volente.