CHRISTIANSARE: By: Dr. Hal Webb, Evangelist

"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them." Ephesians 2:10

The greatest people in all our population are those called "Christians" or Christ ones. I am thrilled to have been one of these since my 11 year old acceptance of Jesus Christ. This is not just a label, but a life long classification to show our relation to the Son of God. The Bible is full of examples, to indicate what we Christians are in the eyes and commands of our Commander in Chief. If you are a born again child of God, these are the things you should be known for as you live your life. I want to list a few for your consideration. We are (1). Sons Of God: John 1:12 states "But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name:". This is a wonderful clear verse as to what you are if you have accepted Christ as Saviour. This is a wonderful truth. If you know your Bible you know all humanity belongs to Satan and is doomed for Hell. No religion has the answer to this problem, but those who have by faith believed in Jesus Christ are even at this moment Sons of God. Please let me remind you to act like what you are. We are not to live worldly, but rather heavenly lives, demonstrating daily to whom we belong. How great is that! We are (2). **Ambassadors:** "Now then ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.. For He hath made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him." II Corinthians 5: 20&21. An ambassador is a person assigned to represent his country in another land. It's like the song lyrics, "This world is not my home, I'm just a

passing through." We believers are required to represent a Holy God in all that we do. An ambassador is the representative of heavenly things. That sets us apart with a responsibility to treat all others with careful heavenly example and responsibility. Remember you were chosen to lead, be a blessing and appreciated as a child of God. Christian, you are special and don't you forget it for a moment. Walk a faithful life in obedience to the One who you accepted as your redeemer. We are (3) Lights: "For ye were sometimes darkness, But now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light: Eph. 5:8. We all observe the darkness of sin and recklessness that grips our world today. It is clear that man in his hatred of God is digging deeper into a restless pursuit of evil. The mentality of most of regenerate mankind has dipped to an unbelievable low in the morass of darkness. The true believer however, must stand lovingly above, with the answers to dark problems in the light of the Gospel. We must be lights that pierce the darkness of sin with the glorious light of God's way of life. In Him there is no darkness. We are also (4). Workmen: "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." II Tim. 2:15. Godly believers are a part of the workforce of the Lord. There are so many things to be done in our church and community. We must involve ourselves in good things that help others and please the Lord. Don't sit idly by and watch others do the work. Punch the time clock and get busy for the Lord. I will guarantee you will never be laid off in the tasks God will give you. We are also called to be (5). Fishermen: "And He said unto them, follow me and I will make you fishers of men." Matt. 4:19. Jesus chose disciples and called them away from their jobs of fishing, to His service, fishing for men. We as believers are chosen to reach out to catch sinners around us, and put them into the creel of eternal life, by accepting Christ.

Soul winning is not just for a few, but should be our joy as we bait the hook with edifying example. Reeling in souls to Christ should be the main desire of our earthly life. Earthly fishing may be a hobby, but heavenly fishing is a lifetime call. Would you believe that there are at least five more things that we are to be? How about (6) Laborers: I Cor. 3:9 relates "For we are laborers together with God: ve are God's husbandry, ye are God's building." Accepting Christ was not a ticket to stay out of Hell, but we joined in the heavenly work of God. Throughout the Bible the record is clear. God has chosen to use men and women to do His work. The Christian is in His employ and will be greatly rewarded if we serve Him well. All work tires the human body, but is necessary, for it is God's way since the garden of Eden. Don't be tired and discouraged, but keep on keeping on until the whistle blows and God calls us home. We are part of a great multitude of (7) Witnesses: "But ye shall receive power, after the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8. The indwelling power of the Holy Spirit within us should cause us to witness at home, in the neighborhood, and around the world. The joys of our salvation are not to be selfishly kept within, but offered to others through Christ. How can we keep it to ourselves? Spread the news, cry aloud and show people how you found Christ as your Saviour. Someone made it clear to you and now you must help others. Oh be a constant witness of Christ wherever you go. You and I would still be on the path to Hell if someone had not told us how to be saved. You are a part of an action to win many to Jesus. So speak up, be a witness. If you have ever grown something you will understand we are to be (8). Sowers: "Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labor." I Cor, 3:8. Actually my last three points of this message fit together, but I want to mention each. Every believer is to be sowing the seed wherever you are. Carry a pack of tracts in your pocket and put them in many hands. Lay one on the sink in the rest room, and snuggle one around the tip you leave for the waitress. Like farming, every seed will not come up but some will, so keep sowing. You may not know this side of Glory how many things were accomplished by your faithful sowing. Others will read the tract and you can later ask what they thought and get into witnessing. The printed page has always had an effect on the minds and hearts of the reader. Lets grab the seed and get back to sowing. (9). Waterers: After the seed has been sown it must be watered. I Cor. 3:6 makes it clear that not only sowing but continual watering is the job of we believers and is a lifetime responsibility. This calls for tract following tract, and a continual attempt to stir growth in spiritual interest, which may begin to show in someone. Follow up your soul winning visit with another, and show great thankfulness in their fledging interest in spiritual things. Brag on your pastor and invite them to come to your church, and learn more about spiritual things. Never give up showing interest to the needy. Understand them and help them, answer their questions, and show your loving interest in their salvation. (10). Reapers: "And he that reapeth receveth wages and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together." John 4:36 You will not win every soul you go after, but you never know what part will be yours. Remember some sow, and some water, and others get to reap that which the Lord started through another. Let me close with this thought from the mouth of Jesus in John 4:35. "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white aleady to harvest". I pray you will live a productive life as a servant of God, and reap great reward in Heaven.