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Animals

Labors of the Oxen Gospel Ministers

The following verses associate the labors of the oxen with the labors of the gospel ministers of Jesus Christ:

1. Deu. 25:4 “Thou shalt not muzzle the ox when he treadeth out the corn.”
2. Ps. 144:14 “That our oxen may be strong to labour; that there be no breaking in, nor going out; that there be no complaining in our streets.”
3. Prov. 14:4 “Where no oxen are, the crib is clean: but much increase is by the strength of the ox.”
4. Is. 7:25 “And on all hills that shall be digged with the mattock, there shall not come thither the fear of briers and thorns: but it shall be for the sending forth of oxen, and for the treading of lesser cattle.”
5. 1 Cor. 9:9 “For it is written in the law of Moses, Thou shalt not muzzle the mouth of the ox that treadeth out the corn. Doth God take care for oxen?”
6. 1 Tim. 5:18 “For the scripture saith, Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn. And, The labourer is worthy of his reward.”

The labors of the gospel ministers are many as shown below: