ROMANS 3:

19 Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God.

20 Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin.

21 But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets;

22 Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference:

23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

24 Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:

25 Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;

26 To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.

27 Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? of works? Nay: but **by the law of faith**.

28 Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law.

29 Is he the God of the Jews only? is he not also of the Gentiles? Yes, of the Gentiles also:

30 Seeing it is one God, which shall justify the circumcision by faith, and uncircumcision through faith.

31 Do we then make void the law through faith? God forbid: yea, we establish the law.

*I appreciate the people that listen to me faithfully and I ask for your prayers that I could always bring something to encourage and cause your faith to grow.*

*There is only one definition of law in the Old Testament or the New Testament.*

 *Law: 3551 nomos {nom'-os} anything established, anything received by usage, a custom, a law, a command.*

*Law of faith for the Christian is to believe what is written. Just as the Old testament was recorded and past on by men but God watched the things that were His Word so has, He watched what has been given as the New Testament although it was first written by the early church and then put together by men our faith is in God’s ability to keep His Word Holy.*

I JOHN 5

13 These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

*To know we have eternal life lies in our ability to believe what is written. That is why when we hear any minister, we have the responsibility to check it with the Word.*

*We may not understand but we will when we see the event unfold, or the Lord shows us it has been unfolded or revealed in past or present.*

JOHN 12:16

16 These things understood not his disciples at the first: but when Jesus was glorified, then remembered they that these things were written of him, and that they had done these things unto him.

*Two things the event must be present tense or have happened and even then, the Lord must give us understanding. It is not a sin to lack understanding because we cannot fully understand until Christ make it real to us*.

LUKE 24:

44 And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me.

45 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,

EPHESIANS 4:

19 Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

20 But ye have not so learned Christ;

21 If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus:

JOHN 14:

6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

*The law of faith must first center on the truth of the scripture for the scripture are the Word of God and Christ is the Word of God. God cannot reveal Christ through any means, pastor priest or whatever except through the Word of God.*

JOHN 1:

14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

ROMANS 3:

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20 Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin.

21 But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets;

JEREMIAH 31:

33 But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.

HEBREWS 8:

10 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:

11 And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest.

12 For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.

*There is no Old Testament law that we can obey that will please God neither is there any New Testament scripture we can obey in ourselves that will please God.*

HEBREWS 11:

6 But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

JOHN 15:

5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

ROMANS 3:

22 Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and **upon all them that believe**: for there is no difference:

*What do we believe? The scripture as it is written our faith is anchored there until it becomes life to us.*

23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

24 Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:

25 Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;

*People reject the Word and refuse to repent before God rejects them.*

ACTS 13:

46 Then Paul and Barnabas waxed bold, and said, It was necessary that the word of God should first have been spoken to you: but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles.

ROMANS 10:

16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report?

*The report also is written.*

II CORINTHIANS 1:

13 For we write none other things unto you, than what ye read or acknowledge; and I trust ye shall acknowledge even to the end;

*Before anything can happen or can be accepted you must find it is written and believe it, if you believe it you will confess it.*

ROMANS 10

9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

*Most people raised around religion have a thought about Christ in their mind but the Christ we accept cannot be from our thoughts or from the description of a man alone, but it must be the Word Jesus.*

II CORINTHIANS 11

3 But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.

4 For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him.

*Confessing the wrong Jesus will never bring salvation no more then Eve believing she would not die.*

*When Christ came in the flesh, he was to be know by that which was written*.

JOHN 5:

46 For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me.

47 But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?

DEUTERONOMY 18:

18 I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him.

19 And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him.

ZECHARIAH 9:

9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.

JOHN 12:

14 And Jesus, when he had found a young ass, sat thereon; as it is written,

15 Fear not, daughter of Sion: behold, thy King cometh, sitting on an ass's colt.

16 These things understood not his disciples at the first: but when Jesus was glorified, then remembered they that these things were written of him, and that they had done these things unto him.

JOHN 15:

24 If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father.

25 But this cometh to pass, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated me without a cause.

*They were fulfilling scripture also as all of us do.*

PSALM 35:

19 Let not them that are mine enemies wrongfully rejoice over me: neither let them wink with the eye that hate me without a cause.

JOHN 20:

31 But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

*Over 200 times the words write or written are repeated.*

*The gospel is the revealing of the Old Testament Scriptures fulfilled through Christ and continuing through the Holy Ghost. The gospel is preaching the scriptural Jesus Christ not preaching just about the person of Jesus Christ alone.*

*Paul said this:*

ACTS 24:

14 But this I confess unto thee, that after the way which they call heresy, so worship I the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the law and in the prophets:

*Every minister should have this testimony.*

*I believe all things written in the scriptures as they apply in the New Testament.*

*The law of faith is anchored to what is written believing Christ’s will make it happen according to His will.*

I JOHN 5:

14 And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:

15 And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.

EPHESIANS 3:

20 Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the **power** that worketh in us,

 *1411 dunamis {doo'-nam-is} 1a) inherent power, power residing in a thing by virtue of its nature, or which a person or thing exerts and puts forth*

COLOSSIANS 1

29 Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me **mightily**.

PHILIPPIANS 2:

13 For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.

 *Religions today have their own dunamis and turn away from the power or authority from God.*

II TIMOTHY 3:

5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

*Religion often limits the power of God by teaching their traditions*

MARK 7:

13 Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.

*Believing the Word or Scripture as it is written protects us from error or false teaching.*

*Teachers make statements and if you believe the teacher then you faith cannot believe the scriptures.*

“Justin Peters is a well-known proponent of cessationism, the theological view that miraculous spiritual gifts, such as speaking in tongues and healing, ceased with the apostolic age. He argues that these gifts were primarily intended to authenticate the apostles and the early church, and are not meant to be normative for believers today.”

I CORINTHIANS 12:

27 Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular.

28 And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues. I CORINTHIANS 12:6

6 And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all.

I CORINTHIANS 12:

7 But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal.

8 For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit;

9 To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit;

10 To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues:

11 But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.

GALATIANS 1:

8 But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.

REVELATION 1:

11 Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

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| *Remember those****who are in prison****, as though in prison with them, and****those who are mistreated****, since you also are in the body.* |
| **—HEBREWS 13:3** |

Our brothers and sisters in Christ living in hostile areas and restricted nations are imprisoned and mistreated for the activity of their faith in order to silence their witness.The mistreatment of our persecuted Christian brothers and sisters takes many forms, including harassment, verbal abuse, physical attacks, sexual assault, limited employment opportunities, vandalization of property, rejection from their family or community, imprisonment and even death.Most believers in Laos are persecuted by family members or village authorities who follow a version of Buddhism mixed with tribal animism. When families become followers of Christ, they experience threats and pressure from the community, including the destruction of their crops and livestock. Eventually, they may be driven from their village. Persecuted Christians in Laos receive encouragement and support from one another and from the global body of Christ.Even in the face of hardship, these families remain committed to following Christ. And while our persecuted Christian brothers and sisters count the cost they will pay for their bold witness, knowing they will suffer, they still joyfully continue in faithfulness to Christ.Remember our Christian brothers and sisters who are are driven from their homes for the activity of their faith in Laos and other hostile areas and restricted nations. Ask God to provide them with the gift of encouragement from the local and global body of Christ. Pray that their faithfulness will be a witness to their persecutors and that those who oppose them will repent and follow Christ. |