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Study 20. Faith in the bible

In this study you will get to understand that Faith requires works. It is actually part of the good works Christ speaks of.

Good works are different than the works of the law.

1 Peter 1:9 (KJV) Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls.

This verse is telling us that at the end of our faith, we will receive the salvation of our souls!

1 Peter 1:3-5 (KJV) Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Christ, which according to His abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Christ from the dead, **4** To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, **5 Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.**

We are kept by the power of God THROUGH faith UNTIL we are saved. And it is revealed at the last moment, on which is our bodily death.

1 Peter 1:3-5 completely contradicts the erroneous teaching that we are saved the moment we have faith or saved the moment we believe.

Salvation is not by faith alone, there are other things God requires of us.

Works: James 2:24 (KJV) Ye see then how that **by works a man is justified**, and not by faith only. Also found in, **James 2:17-18, James 2:20, James 2:26**

A pure conscience: 1 Tim 3:9 (KJV) Holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience.

Just like Believing has sub-requirements, so does Faith!

2 Peter 1:5-7 (KJV) And beside this, giving all diligence, **add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; 6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; 7 And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.**

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All this because, Faith is shown and made perfect by works!

James 2:17-18 (KJV) Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone. 18 Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.

James 2:22 (KJV) Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect?

Faith comes by and after hearing the word of God.

Rom 10:17 (KJV) So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

Faith comes after believing

Rom 3:22 (KJV) Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference:

If our faith fails, we will not be converted.

Luke 22:31-32 (KJV) And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: **32** But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren. Peter was not converted until after he denied Christ 3 times. What this tells us is that Peter's conversion was sometime after Christ was crucified and resurrected. Most likely during Pentecost. Even though Peter believed and had faith (not perfect faith), he still did the works of God, performed healings and miracles, but was not converted until over 2 years later.

Faith comes before God's grace.

Rom 5:2 (KJV) By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Also found in, **Eph 2:8**

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In the following 3 points, we will see that the word of God pretty much tells us that **we are justified by faith** **If or as long as, we do something!**

➤ **We are justified by faith.**

Rom 3:28 (KJV) Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law.

Also found in **Rom 5:1, Gal 2:16**

➤ **We might be justified by faith.**

Gal 3:24 (KJV) Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.

➤ **A man is NOT justified by faith only.**

James 2:24 (KJV) Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.

Faith comes before the forgiveness of sins and the inheritance.

Acts 26:18 (KJV) To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which **are** sanctified by faith that is in me.

Those who keep the faith of Christ, will be in heaven

Rev 14:12 (KJV) Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Christ.

Faith goes through baptism

Col 2:12 (KJV) Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.

The full assurance of faith comes with (good conscience). Baptism!

Heb 10:22 (KJV) Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

1 Tim 3:9 (KJV) Holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience.

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Faith is given by the manifestation of the Spirit

1 Cor 12:7-9 (KJV) 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;

We are sanctified by faith

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We must hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering

Heb 10:23 (KJV) Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)

Paul prayed to be able to finish his course. Because the ministry of testifying the gospel was more important than his own life.

Acts 20:24 (KJV) But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Christ, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.

Paul fought a good fight, finished his course, and kept his faith until the end.

2 Tim 4:7 (KJV) I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:

Apostleship among all nations is given for obedience to the faith

Rom 1:5 (KJV) By whom we have received grace and apostleship, for obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name:

The end of the commandment is sincere faith.

1 Tim 1:5 (KJV) Now the end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned:

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Examples of faith alone and faith with good works.

- **Heb 11:1 (KJV)** Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.
- **Heb 11:3 (KJV)** Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.
- **Works- Heb 11:4 (KJV)** By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead yet speaketh.
- **Heb 11:5 (KJV)** By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.
- **Heb 11:6 (KJV)** 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.
- **Works- Heb 11:7 (KJV)** By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith.
- **Works- Heb 11:8 (KJV)** By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.
- **Works- Heb 11:9 (KJV)** By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise:

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- **Works- Heb 1:11 (KJV)** Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged him faithful who had promised.
- **Works- Heb 11:13 (KJV)** These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.
- **Works- Heb 11:17 (KJV)** By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son,
- **Heb 11:20 (KJV)** By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come.
- **Heb 11:21 (KJV)** By faith Jacob, when he was a dying, blessed both the sons of Joseph; and worshipped, leaning upon the top of his staff.
- **Heb 11:22 (KJV)** By faith Joseph, when he died, made mention of the departing of the children of Israel; and gave commandment concerning his bones.
- **Works- Heb 11:23 (KJV)** By faith Moses, when he was born, was hid three months of his parents, because they saw he was a proper child; and they were not afraid of the king's commandment.
- **Heb 11:24 (KJV)** By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;
- **Works- Heb 11:27 (KJV)** By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible.
- **Works- Heb 11:28 (KJV)** Through faith he kept the Passover, and the sprinkling of blood, lest he that destroyed the firstborn should touch them.

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- **Works- Heb11:29 (KJV)** By faith they passed through the Red sea as by dry land: which the Egyptians assaying to do were drowned.
- **Works- Heb 11:30 (KJV)** By faith the walls of Jericho fell down, after they were compassed about seven days.
- **Works- Heb 11:31 (KJV)** By faith the harlot Rahab perished not with them that believed not, when she had received the spies with peace.
- **Works- Heb 11:32-34 (KJV)** And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to tell of Gedeon, & of Barak, & of Samson, & of Jephthae; of David also, & Samuel, & of the prophets: **33** Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, **34** Quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.

Let's now compare it to John Doe and see how his salvation looks!
All we are looking for is to see whether he is going to be short of salvation or not. This is what we have so far for John Doe: Check mark only the ones that you can verify with scriptures as we go. And add any that he might have missed. Bring your check marks over from prior studies.

- ✓ He believes Christ is the Son of God.
- ✓ He believes Christ died for all our past sins.
- ✓ He believes Christ resurrected 3 days later.
- ✓ He believes that Christ is sitting on the right-hand side of the Father interceding for us!
- ✓ He confessed Christ as Lord and Savior (Through sinner's prayer).
- ✓ He confessed himself as a sinner (Through sinner's prayer).
- ✓ He repented of his sins. (Let us just say he truly repented when he believed!)
- ✓ He asked for forgiveness (Through sinner's prayer).

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- ✓ He called upon the Lord into his life (Through sinner's prayer).
- ✓ He was baptized as a baby, by sprinkle!
- ✓ **No Faith** (The end of faith is the salvation of the soul). **1 Peter 1:9**
X Baptism is needed to get the full assurance of faith. **Heb 10:22**
- ✓ **No Sanctification**, because we are sanctified by faith, **Acts 26:18**
X Did not complete faith because he was not baptized. **Heb 10:22**

These are the things that are questionable in John Doe's walk, so you must decide whether he has covered that area or not.

- ☐ He must believe that Christ is the "only begotten" Son of God. **John 3:18, Acts 8:37.**
- ☐ He must believe in the Son and the Father. **John 5:24, John 6:47.**
- ☐ He must believe that God the Father raised Christ from the dead. **Rom 10:9, 1 Thes 4:14.**
- ☐ **We have learned that the scriptures actually tell us that our salvation is nearer the moment we believe, and because we believe that Christ is the only begotten Son of God and believe in the name of the son of God, and believe in the Father as well as the Son, we become sealed with God's promise of salvation until the day we are saved!**
- ☐ We also see that Baptism may be as important as believing **Mark 16:16.**

This opens more questions.

- + Is baptism Necessary for salvation?**
- + ~~Is repentance the same as a change of mind, or something deeper?~~**
- + If we need to be baptized, does it have to be with water?**
- + Does Baptism have a purpose and a meaning or is it really just an outward expression of faith?**
- + Do we have to be baptized in the correct way?**
- + Are works needed to show repentance?**
- + Are works needed for salvation?**
- + We must repent to be converted. Acts 3:19, what is conversion?**

Notes: Bring your check marks over from prior studies.

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- ☐ By believing, **John Doe is not saved** ONLY NEARER to salvation and has been sealed with God's promise of salvation until all of God's conditions are met! **Rom 13:11, Eph 1:30, Eph 4:30.**
- ☐ By repenting, JD is being obedient to God. **Mark 1:15, Acts 2:38**
- ☐ If we don't repent, we will not receive salvation. **Luke 13:3, Luke 13:5, Revelation 2:16, Rev 2:22, Rev 3:3**
- ☐ No Faith (The end of faith is the salvation of the soul). **1 Peter 1:9**
X Baptism is needed to get the full assurance of faith. **Heb 10:22**
- ☐ No Sanctification, because we are sanctified by faith, **Acts 26:18**
X Did not complete faith because he was not baptized. **Heb 10:22**
- ☐ JD is **not sanctified**, because we are sanctified by faith, and he is short of faith, because baptism is needed to get the full assurance of faith!
Acts 26:18, Heb 10:22.

Do you agree, yes or no?

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