Monday, 25 May 2015

Romans 2:6-8

He will render to each one according to his works: to those who by patience in well-doing seek for glory and honor and immortality, he will give eternal life; but for those who are self-seeking and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, there will be wrath and fury.

Now, before anyone jumps on me--I **know** that salvation is by grace not works--However... Proof of salvation is by results!

Look at Matthew 5:6 and ask yourself if you are hungering and thirsting after righteousness? Look at 2 Corinthians 3:18 and ask if you are being transformed from one degree of glory into another? Look at Romans 12:2 and ask if you are learning how to test and discern the good and acceptable and perfect will of God? All these and many other Scriptures indicated transformation as the certainty of our salvation Praise the Lord!

Lord Jesus, thank You for that great gift of the Holy Spirit to guide me into all truth and to lovingly mentor me into full realization of the glories of Kingdom living in the here and now.. Thank You for the gifts of righteous hunger and thirst. Thank You for that transformation that is approaching Your glorious image.

Lord, I also pray for the boldness and ability to carry this message to those who are trusting in their own abilities to discern truth, but who refuse to obey Truth.

Tuesday, 26 May 2015

Romans 2:19-24

[I]f you are sure that you yourself are a guide to the blind, a light to those who are in darkness, an instructor of the foolish, a teacher of children, having in the law the embodiment of knowledge and truth—you then who teach others, do you not teach yourself? While you preach against stealing, do you steal? You who say that one must not commit adultery, do you commit adultery? You who abhor idols, do you rob temples? You who boast in the law dishonor God by breaking the law. For, as it is written, "The name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you."

Sounds to me if Paul is not telling me not to worry about

someone else's sin when there is a Sequoia sticking out of my own eye. Do I rightly deserve the title of Hypocrite?

Forgive me and transform me, Lord. Lead me in the way I must go. Lord, I need You every step of the Way. I pray for those whom I have stumbled, heal them, Lord, and restore them to Your pasture.

Wednesday, 27 May 2015 Romans 2:25,29

For circumcision indeed is of value if you obey the law, but if you break the law, your circumcision becomes uncircumcision... But a Jew is one inwardly, and circumcision is a matter of the heart, by the Spirit, not by the letter. His praise is not from man but from God.

Obedience is above ritual! Obedience is above ritual! One more time, obedience is above ritual! Got it, John? Obey the Spirit not the letter. Seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness.., .Obey your Father in all things! Seek the approval of the LORD, God the Almighty. Amen.

Thursday, 28 May 2015 Romans 3:3

What if some were unfaithful? Does their faithlessness nullify the faithfulness of God? "

Lord, how often do I hear someone say, "So and so calls them self a Christian but they did such and such to me, so I'm mad at God"?" Help that person to realize that my disobedience and unfaithfulness says nothing about Your faithfulness. Heal that individual, Lord and continue to transform me.

Friday, 29 May 2015 Romans 3:26-27

It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith.

What is the Law of Faith? Is it not "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all

your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Matthew 22:37-39

Love, obey, trust, believe, commit.

Saturday, 30 May 2015 Romans 3:28-31

For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law. Or is God the God of Jews only? Is he not the God of Gentiles also? Yes, of Gentiles also, since God is one—who will justify the circumcised by faith and the uncircumcised through faith. Do we then overthrow the law by this faith? By no means! On the contrary, we uphold the law.

Paul puts the "saved not by works, but by grace" statement quickly in its place. My faith upholds the Law, it is the Law applied to my walk as a disciple of Jesus Christ. It defines the national boundaries of the Kingdom of God. It is freedom from the burden of sin and the righteousness, peace and joy of life in the Spirit.

Praise You, my Lord, my Savior, my Master.

Lord's Day, 31 May 2015

Psalm 119:101

I hold back my feet from every evil way, in order to keep your word.

I hold my feet back from some evil ways but I do not hold them back from every evil way. If I subtract some from every, the difference is self-will. The force that reduces that difference is the continuously transforming power of the Holy Spirit working in me. Praise You, Lord and Savior.

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