

Are We Saved By Works?

"For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but faith working through love." Galatians 5:6 (New King James Version)

Do we have to _____ to receive the gift of _____?

Salvation Is By Grace Through Faith

A. God's plan of salvation is a free gift:

1. Ephesians 2 - Paul's discussion of the concept:

- a. vv. 4,5 - God's _____ mercy and _____ love made us _____ together with Christ (by _____ we are _____).
- b. vv. 6,7 - We'll _____ in _____ places and see God's exceeding _____ of His _____ in ages to come.
- c. v. 8 - By _____ we're _____ through _____.
- d. v. 9 - Salvation is not of _____; no one can _____.
- e. v. 10 - We become God's _____, created for good _____.

2. Romans 11:5,6 - If salvation is by _____, then it's not of _____.

3. Galatians 2:16 - A _____ is not _____ by the works of the _____.

B. Some interpret these truths to mean that _____ is not _____ for salvation. Is baptism a _____?

Understanding The Full Nature Of Faith

A. Kennedy: _____ is the _____ that opens the door of _____. But what is faith?

B. The New Testament presentation of faith:

1. Galatians 5:6; Colossians 1:29 - What is valuable to God is our faith _____ through _____.

2. James 2 - James' discussion of faith and works:

- a. vv. 14-17 - What does it _____ if faith doesn't _____?
- b. v. 18 - Can we _____ our faith without _____?
- c. v. 19 - Even the _____ believe - and _____!
- d. vv. 20-23 - _____, a man of faith, _____ God.
- e. v. 24 - Justification is _____ by faith _____.

3. Romans 1:5; 15:26 - _____ to the _____ is vital.

4. John 14:15 - "If you _____ Me, _____ My _____."

Romans 10:13; Acts 22:16 - To _____ on the _____ of the Lord requires _____.

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