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Are those in Christ Saved?

There are some in the Christian faith, who have a great knowledge of the Bible and faithfully live their lives before God, who believe they are being saved, for they do not believe any Christian can claim they are saved, until Christ returns and accepts them.

Some hold this position, because they believe it is extremely prideful to say, "they are saved" this would be true, if they are believing they are saved by their own efforts and works, but when it is claimed with the following understanding:

- We are not saved for any worth in ourselves, but because of our faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.
- Jesus blood cleanses us from sin.
- We are saved by Christs righteousness being imputed to us, and by God's unceasing grace.
- The price Jesus paid on the cross of Calvary was enough to save us, nothing more is needed.

Believing we are saved, is not an act of pride, but an act of faith. Not believing those in Christ are saved, implies Christs shed blood is not enough to cleanse us, and that His death is not enough to fully save those who come to Him, which infers, there must be more to be done to be fully saved, which implies salvation by works.

I suspect this great error stems from our natural sense of justice, for it is human nature to think, all should be judged according to the life we have lived before God, this sense of justice is not wrong, for justice is one of the pillars of God's throne, the error lies in our understanding of salvation and rewards, all the faithful in Christ will be accepted, but some will suffer loss while others will be rewarded, as the following Scriptures show:

- **1 Corinthians 3:11–15:** For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. ¹² Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw— ¹³ each one's work will become manifest, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. ¹⁴ If the work that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. ¹⁵ If anyone's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire.

Scriptures that show that the faithful in Christ can have confidence that they are saved, and that the Saviour they love will accept them at the Resurrection.

- **Romans 8:38 -39:** For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come. Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- **Romans 10:13:** For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."
- **1 John 5:13:** These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may believe in the name of the Son of God.
- **John 5:24:** Jesus said: Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears my word and believes in Him who sent me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgement but has passed from death into life."

These verses (there are many others like them) shine a brilliant light upon the beautiful and humbling truth of the following verse:

- **John 1:16:** For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.

As the founder of Bible House of Grace, I would like to thank the many Christian scholars, commentators and theologians who have gone before me, and the many today, who have freely made available their works to enhance the knowledge of the Bible to all people worldwide. It is only with the help of these faithful writers that much of Bible House of Grace exists as it does today.

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