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### CAN FAITHFUL CHRISTIANS BE CONFIDENT THEY ARE SAVED?

Amongst the global body of Christ there are faithful Christians, that have an amazing knowledge of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation, but when asked, "what do you believe concerning salvation?" they answer:

- If I live in the hope I am saved, God may save me.
- If I have faith God can save me, He may save me.
- I believe I am being saved.
- If my Christian works are acceptable, I will be saved.

These answers show that even though they have a great intellectual knowledge of the Bible, they lack knowledge of salvation and God's grace, for all their answers carry the idea, no matter how faithful a believer is, they cannot be confident they are saved. Their answers infer that, there must be something more they must do, which implies, they are 95% saved, but must attain to something more to be fully saved, which suggests salvation by works, and that Jesus shed blood was not enough to fully to wash them clean of all sin, and his death was not enough to fully save them, even though the apostle Paul wrote:

- **Romans 3:20-22:** For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. <sup>21</sup> But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— <sup>22</sup> the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction.

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I suspect this lack of faith and 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. <sup>12</sup> Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw— <sup>13</sup> 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. <sup>14</sup> If the work that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. <sup>15</sup> If anyone's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire.

Some feel it is prideful and presumptuous to claim they are saved, which it would be, if it is being claimed based on our own works, but, when it is believed, because of what Christ achieved on the cross of Calvary for those in Christ, it is faith. Following are further Scriptures (there are many more), that will encourage those who are devoted to Christ in love, and faithfully follow Him, but doubt their salvation, and have no confidence the Lord they love will accept them, when resurrected to stand before Him:

- **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.

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