

True Righteousness / Salvation

Deut 6:²⁴ And the LORD commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the LORD our God, for our good always, that he might preserve us alive, as *it is* at this day.

²⁵ And it shall be our **righteousness**, if we observe to do all these commandments before the LORD our God, as he hath commanded us.

Jude ³ Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints.

⁴ For certain men have crept in unnoticed, who long ago were marked out for this condemnation, ungodly men, who turn the grace of our Elohim into lewdness and deny the only Master Yahweh and our Messiah Yahshua.

⁵ But I want to remind you, though you once knew this, that Yahweh, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed those who did not believe. NKJ

2Cor13:⁵ Examine yourselves *as to* whether you are in the faith. **Test yourselves**. Do you not know yourselves, that Messiah Yahshua is in you? -- unless indeed you are disqualified. NKJ

Have you 'Believed in Vain'.

NKJ **1 Corinthians 15:1** Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand,

² by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you -- **unless you believed in vain.**

³ For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Messiah died for our sins according to the Scriptures,

⁴ and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures,

Do you have a Profession of Faith but no Evidence to back it up? Scripture says that Faith is both: 'Substance & Evidence'

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. (Heb11:1)

If Messiah is dwelling inside you, it is Clearly Evident by your 'Conduct'.

Romans 2:⁵ But in accordance with your hardness and your impenitent heart you are treasuring up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of Yahweh,

⁶ who "will render to each one according to his deeds":

⁷ eternal life to those who by patient continuance in doing good seek for glory, honor, and immortality;

⁸ but to those who are self-seeking and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness -- indignation and wrath,

⁹ tribulation and anguish, on every soul of man who does evil, of the Jew first and also of the Greek;

¹⁰ but glory, honor, and peace to everyone who works what is good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

¹¹ For there is no partiality with Yahweh.

¹² For as many as have sinned without law (Torah) will also perish without law, and as many as have sinned in the law (Torah) will be judged by the law

¹³ (for not the hearers of the law(Torah) *are* just in the sight of Yahweh, but the doers of the law (Torah) will be justified;

If your Hope is resting on a past moment of faith with no 'evidence' of inward and outward holiness, you have been deceived by the false teachings of modern doctrine!

The Righteousness of Messiah may indeed 'entitle' you to the olam haba when you die, but without Holiness of heart and life, no one will see Yahweh!

Hebrews 12:¹⁴ Pursue peace with all *people*, and holiness, without which no one will see the Lord:
¹⁵ looking carefully lest anyone fall short of the grace of Yahweh; lest any root of bitterness springing up cause trouble, and by this many become defiled;

Faith **DOES NOT** supersede **holiness**.

You choose holiness by Grace which He has supplied abundantly! (2Pet 1:3-11)

THEN and only then is 'your calling and election' made sure and your entrance into the everlasting kingdom secured.

Sin (Torahlessness) will defile and harden your heart.

That's why your heart must be made Pure by **active faith** and then cleansed of all evil desires. (Acts 15:9, 1Tim 1:5)

Sinners 'willfully' against your knowledge of the truth will indeed send your soul to hell fire, if you do not repent! (Heb 10:26-31)

" Righteousness exalts a nation: but sin (Torahlessness) is a **REPROACH** to any people."

By active FAITH we are saved from sin and made a holy people in Yahweh. (1Pet 2:4-10)

Beware brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the Living Elohim! But exhort one another daily while it is called "Today," lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin. For we have become Partakers of Messiah IF we hold the beginning of our confidence Steadfast to the end." Heb3:12-14

You want a statement that causes me to tremble?

Yahshua Said: "Strive to enter the Narrow Gate, for many I say will try and not be able. For Wide is the way that leads to destruction and there are many who go in by it. Narrow is the Gate and Difficult is the Way which leads to Life and Few there be that find it!" Matt7:13-14, Luke13:24

Yahshua gave this in answer to the question, "Master, are there FEW who are saved?"

Few enter and fewer still endure.

But the preachers today would have you to believe that anyone who has 'once' believed is guaranteed to enter.

But NOTHING could be further from the truth.

In Messiah's own words: The way is Narrow and Difficult that leads to life and MOST of humanity will not take it.

They will instead choose a way that 'seems' right to them, but ends in eternal destruction.

MANY will come before the Master in the great Day of Judgment saying 'Master, Master, did we not preach your word, cast out devils and do many mighty works in your Name?'

Although He will not deny that you have done these things, He will indeed declare,

**"I NEVER at any time knew you, depart from Me you who practice lawlessness!"
Matt 7:21-23**

You do not come to Messiah in your own good time, nor do you 'repeat' a prayer and receive eternal forgiveness of sin.

Scripture says that: "Many are Called but Few are chosen." (Matt 22:14) &

"No one comes to Me unless the Father who sent Me Draws him." (John 6:44)

It is godly sorrow that works true repentance unto a lasting salvation. (2Cor 7:10)

'Pardon' from sin, is salvation begun and it is received by faith in Messiah producing works.

'Holiness' is salvation continued and is faith working by love.

And the Olam Haba is salvation concluded, the reward of our faith.

(1Pet 1:6-9) ⁶In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials,

⁷that the genuineness of your faith, *being* much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Messiah Yahshua,

⁸whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see *Him*, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory,

⁹receiving the end of your faith -- the salvation of *your* souls. NKJ

...One Scripture Truth Cannot negate another, if the Bible is to remain the infallible Word of Yahweh....

Yahweh has joined together 'Faith, Repentance, Obedience and Endurance' to work regeneration in the soul of man.

Exalting faith over obedience and endurance has resulted in the ruin of the modern church.

Many are trusting in the 'faith no greater than the demons' for their eternal salvation!

(James 2:17 - 24) ¹⁷ Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

¹⁸ But someone will say, "You have faith, and I have works." Show me your faith without your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

¹⁹ You believe that Adonai is achad. You do well. Even the demons believe -- and tremble!

²⁰ But do you want to know, O foolish man, that faith without works is dead?

²¹ Was not Abraham our father justified by works when he offered Isaac his son on the altar?

²² Do you see that faith was working together with his works, and by works faith was made perfect?

²³ And the Scripture was fulfilled which says, "Abraham believed Yahweh, and it was accounted to him for righteousness." And he was called the friend of Yahweh.

²⁴ You see then that a man is justified by works, and not by faith only.

As a tree is known by its fruit, so 'faith' is also evident by what it has produced.

Faith that DOES NOT include the 'Mind of Messiah' (1 Cor 2:16) and a 'Walk' worthy of His calling is indeed 'dead faith' and will send you to hell fire.

The Apostle Peter told us to "Make our Calling & Election Sure!"

For if we do, we will never stumble and fall down!" (2Pet1:10)

The Grace of Yahweh is sufficient to equip us for every good work to do His Will, 'Working' in you that which is well pleasing in His sight through Messiah Yahshua! (Heb13:21)

But your final Salvation is based on the 'Condition' that you 'Continue' in that Grace through Faith & endure to the end. (Heb3:6, Matt10:22, Col1:23, 1Cor15:2)

The True plan of Salvation calls men to humble repentance toward Yahweh and Faith in our Messiah Yahshua. Acts20:21 (the Gospel in a nutshell)

Yahshua came preaching Teshuva (Repentance). Matt4:17, Mark1:15, Luke13:3.

The Apostles preached repentance at Pentecost and beyond! Acts2:38, 4:19, 8:22, 11:18, 17:30.

Any presentation of the Gospel message that Does Not involve the demand to repent is 'False Gospel!'.

Paul said in 2Cor7:10-11 that the Measure of True Repentance or "Godly Sorrow", as he called it, is: "Diligence, Purity of heart, Fear of Yahweh, Zeal & Vindication!"

2 Cor 7:10 For godly sorrow produces repentance leading to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death.

¹¹ For observe this very thing, that you sorrowed in a godly manner: What diligence it produced in you, *what clearing of yourselves, what indignation, what fear, what vehement desire, what zeal, what vindication!* In all *things* you proved yourselves to be clear in this matter. NKJ

When you 'accepted' Yahshua as your 'personal savior' did any of these things happen?

If not, you have experienced "The Sorrow of the world that produces death!"

True Repentance toward Yahweh produces Radical change in behavior and life style.

If you are still in bondage to your old sins, you have NOT been saved.

The New Birth of *John 3* can not take place in the believes heart as long as he/she still clings to worldly lusts.

True soul saving faith is evident by Obedience to Messiah.

The Two are 'inseparable'.

Faith requires Obedience & Obedience activates Faith.

That's why the scripture can say in one place, "Believe on the Master Messiah Yahshua & you shall be saved." & in another, "Deny self, take up your cross and Follow."

One passage does NOT negate the other.

To 'Believe' is to 'Follow'.

Expressed in the original text in the 'Present, Continuous' tense.

When the Scripture says to 'Believe' it's actually saying, "**He who is now Believing and continuing to do so, will be saved.**"

It is vital to the final salvation of your soul that you grasp this much neglected Truth!

The false teachers have perverted faith into a 'moment' of acceptance with a guarantee of eternal life afterward.

The new convert to Messiah must be properly instructed in the faith to become aware of the pitfalls that confront his journey into the Kingdom.

Many toils and snares await along the Narrow pathway to life.

He can become deceived and fall away. (Pet3:17 1Tim4:3-4)

He can become entangled in the wordily lusts and forfeit his salvation.
(*Matt13:21, 1Cor6:9-10*)

He can grow weary and lose hope. (*Gal6:7-10*)

He can be thwarted by persecutions. (*Luke8:13*) and he can return again to his sin and be fall from Grace. (*2Pet2:20-22,Gal5:2-4*)

This is why there is such a sense of urgency in the many scriptures.

Paul told Timothy to "**Keep reminding them to endure!**" *2Tim2:11-14*.

Peter said to make our calling and election sure!

James said Faith without works is dead, *Js2:20*, and Jude told us to keep ourselves pure.

These are just a 'Few' of the scriptures that continually admonish us to remain 'Steadfast' in the Messiah.

To ignore these clear cut warnings because you 'believe' people are eternally saved, is dangerous to the soul.

Final salvation is 'conditional'

Titus 3: ⁴ But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared, ⁵ not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, ⁶ whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷ that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life. ⁸ This is a faithful saying, and these things I want you to affirm constantly, that those who have believed in God should be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable to men.

Men invented the OSAS (**once saved always saved**) doctrine under Calvin.

Holding this false doctrine forth as a fundamental tenet of the Christian faith has caused untold destruction on the human race, immeasurable in scope.

How many broken homes and lives can be traced to this awful teaching that 'Believers' can live in open rebellious sin and still be saved forever?

Under such teaching Grace is reduced to 'License' for immorality.

Blatant carnality is common practice in the church and people are given false assurance in their sins, told that: "No one is 'perfect', you are under grace not law, so don't worry about continuing in sin!"

Yet Scripture is very clear on this matter.

Let NO ONE Deceive you!

Those who commit the sins listed in the following passages WILL NOT inherit the Kingdom of Yahweh!

*(1Cor 6:*⁹ *Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of Yahweh? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites,*
¹⁰ *nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of Yahweh.*

The Flesh must be crucified with Messiah. (Gal5: ¹⁶ *I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.*

¹⁷ *For the flesh lusts against the ruach, and the ruach against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish.*

¹⁸ *But if you are led by the ruach, you are not under the law (of sin and death).*

¹⁹ *Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness,*

²⁰ *idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies,*

²¹ *envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told *you* in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of Yahweh.*

²² *But the fruit of the ruach is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,*

²³ *gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.*

²⁴ *And those *who are* Messiah's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.*

²⁵ *If we live in the ruach, let us also walk in the ruach.*

²⁶ *Let us not become conceited,*

Sin CANNOT have dominion over you! (Rom6:14) ¹⁴ *For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law (of sin and death) but under grace.*

¹⁵ *What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? Certainly not!*

¹⁶ *Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one's slaves whom you obey, whether of sin *leading* to death, or of obedience *leading* to righteousness?*

Because Grace is NOT License (to do anything **you want) but Power (to do anything **He** wants you to do)!**

If the Believers does not Walk in Newness of Life by Faith in the Power of Yahweh's Grace, he will 'Fall from that Grace' and forfeit his salvation!

(Gal5:4) ⁴ You have become estranged from Messiah, you who *attempt to be* justified by law (Torah); you have fallen from grace.

It has NOTHING to do with WORKS! It has everything to do with obedience!

It's Grace 'working' in you, NOT you working 'for' Grace, on 'CONDITION' that you 'CONTINUE' to allow it.

You will NEVER find the True peace you are seeking unless you return to Messiah in repentance and 'Abide' in His Love.

As long as you cling to the false hope of 'eternal security', you will be in danger of losing your soul.

The Difference between a 'single' act of faith & a 'continuous' life of faith is the difference between 'heaven & hell'.