

Seeing Jesus a New Way
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Study and be eager and do your utmost to present yourself to God approved (tested by trial), a workman who has no cause to be ashamed, correctly analyzing and accurately dividing [rightly handling and skillfully teaching] the Word of Truth. (2 Timothy 2:15 AMPC)

“Now it shall come to pass, if you diligently obey the voice of the Lord your God, to observe carefully all His commandments which I command you today, that the Lord your God will set you high above all nations of the earth. (Deuteronomy 28:1 NKJV)

If you must do something before, He does something, you are operating under the Old Covenant. It was through one Man's obedience not mine.

“But it shall come to pass, if you do not obey the voice of the Lord your God, to observe carefully all His commandments and His statutes which I command you today, that all these curses will come upon you and overtake you: (Deuteronomy 28:15 NKJV)

You're not blessed because you are obedient. Jesus will do it first and that enables you to get it.

that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. Brethren, I speak in the manner of men: Though it is only a man's covenant, yet if it is confirmed, no one annuls or adds to it. (Galatians 3:14, 15 NKJV)

Now behold, one came and said to Him, “Good Teacher, what good thing shall I do that I may have eternal life?” So He said to him, “Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. But if you want to enter into life, keep the commandments.” He said to Him, “Which ones?” Jesus said, ‘You shall not murder,’ ‘You shall not commit adultery,’ ‘You shall not steal,’ ‘You shall not bear false witness,’ ‘Honor your father and your mother,’ and, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ ” The young man said to Him, “All these things I have kept from my youth. What do I still lack?” Jesus said to him, “If you want to be perfect,

go, sell what you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me.” (**Matthew 19:16-21 NKJV**)

And he brought them out and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” So they said, “Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household.” (**Acts 16:30, 31 NKJV**)

But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. (**Matthew 6:15 NKJV**)

And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you. (**Ephesians 4:32 NKJV**)

“Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?” Jesus said to him, “ ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.” (**Matthew 22:36-40 NKJV**)

In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. (**I John 4:10, 11 NKJV**)

We love Him because He first loved us. (**I John 4:19 NKJV**)

Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us. (**Romans 5:5 NKJV**)

What is the difference in faith after the cross than before the cross. O ye of little faith. We say we got to get faith then I can get my healing.

Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? (**Matthew 6:30 NKJV**)

But He said to them, “Why are you fearful, O you of little faith?” Then He arose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. (**Matthew 8:26 NKJV**)

Every time He calls them ye of little faith, He is there! Why are you fearful, I am on the boat.

But Jesus, being aware of it, said to them, “O you of little faith, why do you reason among yourselves because you have brought no bread? Do you not yet understand, or remember the five loaves of the five thousand and how many baskets you took up? **(Matthew 16:8, 9 NKJV)**

I am Here!!!

And Peter answered Him and said, “Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water.” So He said, “Come.” And when Peter had come down out of the boat, he walked on the water to go to Jesus. But when he saw that the wind was boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink he cried out, saying, “Lord, save me!” And immediately Jesus stretched out His hand and caught him, and said to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?” And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. **(Matthew 14:28-32 NKJV)**

He walked on the water because he saw Jesus. If he could see Jesus’ faith was being released. We try to produce faith without seeing Jesus. The devil saw Peter walking on the water, and he said, “I got to stop this with distraction, because if I don’t, they are going to realize they can fly. He had to do something to get attraction away from their source of their faith (Jesus).

Peter and Jesus walked together on the water.

Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls. **(Hebrews 12:1-3 NKJV)**

But before faith came, we were kept under guard by the law, kept for the faith which would afterward be revealed. **(Galatians 3:23 NKJV)**

But after faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor. **(Galatians 3:25 NKJV)**

Faith and Grace are a person.

For by grace, you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, (**Ephesians 2:8 NKJV**)