I Believe In Salvation By Faith In God – Part Two

The new birth is a spiritual birth. You become a Christian only because you have been Born Again. If you have not been born again, you are not yet a Christian. In a Natural Sense when you were born as a baby, you were brought home to take your place as a member of your earthly family. The same is true with the New Birth. Once you are born again, you immediately take your place in the Family of God. As a member of the Family of God, you are considered as righteous, as holy, as perfect and as deserving as your Heavenly Family. You become one of the sons or daughters of God. Wow!!!!

Once you are saved, you will find yourself doing Good Things. The Good Works you will do After You Are Saved are not what saved you. You have to be careful to keep in mind that your good works are not what saved you. You were saved when you received the gift of salvation that was provided for when Jesus died on the cross for your sins. **Never** get caught in the TRAP of thinking that your works will save you AFTER you have been born again. You are Saved First. Then, after you are saved, you begin to do good works. Your salvation and your works are Two Separate Things.

Romans 4:3-5 Salvation is a gift from God that you RECEIVE by Faith. You do not work for salvation because it is a gift. It is something you RECEIVE. It is not something that you achieve. It is something you TAKE, not something you MAKE. It is something HANDED TO YOU not something MADE BY YOU. You are saved because YOU CHOOSE to enter into a SAVING relationship with Jesus. The only way you will be lost is if you CHOOSE to REJECT that saving relationship with Jesus. You are saved because you trust God COMPLETELY for your salvation.

Ephesians 2:8-10 Your salvation is in Him and not in your good works. <u>Matthew</u> **19:16-22** This young man was depending on the law to save him. He admitted to Jesus that even after having kept the law from his youth, he still felt a lack in his life. The law was not designed to save anyone. The law is to point out sin. Jesus came to remove sin. Do not get the two purposes confused. <u>Luke 18:9-14</u>

The scales of religious bondage must fall from your eyes. When that happens you will be certain your salvation is complete in Christ. You will serve Him with all your heart. <u>Acts 10:1-19</u>