



I die daily

It's so easy to get caught up in the wrong attitude as we "do". We are a doing kind of people. We like to take our measurements that way. We measure our success by what we "do". The righteousness of God doesn't work that way.

We read in the word of God the question asked, "what do you have that you didn't receive?". It brings us back to Earth. It puts our feet back on the ground. It removes that ladder of righteous climbing. It's important to remember that Christ shed His blood that we could have righteousness. It's an important lesson to take ahold of for many reasons. We can't earn righteousness. It's not our "doing" that makes

us right with God. “Where is boasting then?”, we are left to look to one place. Jesus Christ, His crucifixion, and resurrection. We are to boast in His “doing” and not ours. This is both humbling and comforting.

Even when any one of us is at our best, we have failed God. Christ never failednot once. He obeyed the law. He was perfect in His ways. That’s the robe that He puts on us. That’s our covering. When God looks at the born again believer that’s what He sees. He sees us through His son. Without that robe, that spotless garment, we are left with “our righteousness”, spotted by the sin of this life. If you are boasting of your righteousness because of what you have done, you have not humbled yourself to recognize what’s been done for you.

By grace we are saved by Faith! That’s a beautiful thing. We believe in Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God. I believe He walked perfectly, I believe He laid His life down, I believe He rose again on the third day. I believe He ascended back to the Father, and sent His Holy Spirit to guide His people. I believe I am an adopted child of God the Father, not because “I did”, but because “He did”. At even my best, that’s not the robe I want to wear before God. Not when there is a Robe of Perfection that I can wear. I can never be “complete” without Christ, none of us can be. Not one soul can stand before God wearing there “own robe” and be in right standing. “No one comes to the Father, but through the Son – Jesus Christ”.

Our Faith must be in Jesus. Not in ourselves. Enjoy the grace that God has given for your continual growth as one of His children. We should certainly set out to “do”, but not to obtain righteousness that can’t be obtained by doing. But rather “do” out of an expression of Love to our Father who art in Heaven, whose name is Holy. “If you Love me OBEY”, keep the commandments of God out of recognition of your new

birth. Keep them to say “God I love you”. Keep them without boasting in your ability to keep them, but keep them boasting in the opportunity provided to you by the King of Kings, and the Lord of Lords.

God bless – Pastor Paul

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When ye shall have done all those things which are commanded you, say, We are unprofitable servants. [Luke 17:10](#)

Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? of works? Nay: but by the law of faith. [Rom. 3:27](#)

What hast thou that thou didst not receive? now if thou didst receive it, why dost thou glory, as if thou hadst not received it? [I Cor. 4:7](#)

By grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. [Eph. 2:8-10](#)

By the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me. [I Cor. 15:10](#)

For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things. [Rom. 11:36](#)

All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee. [I Chron. 29:14](#)

Enter not into judgment with thy servant: for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. [Psa. 143:2](#)