



## The Marriage Of Grace and Faith

**Eph 2:8** *For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:*

**Heb 11:6** *But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.*

**Rom 10:17** *So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.*

**Heb 4:2** *For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it.*

**Rom 4:16** *Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all,*

You are very blessed in a church when you have men of God presenting God's truth continually every time you come to church.

Not human speculations.  
Not Human opinions.  
Not human systems.  
But God's word.

Dished up and sent straight to the target of your heart. You have been divinely favored if you receive great things from great men of God. Do not take that for granted.

You cannot improve on the word of God. The Bible is like a finely cut diamond. Every truth is reflected in many different facets. We need to see and learn all of them. Don't ever think you know everything there is to know about any Biblical subject. Your knowledge won't even fill a thimble. But God's knowledge fills oceans.

These verses show us:

1. That all forms of religion without genuine faith are worthless and cannot save.

*"Saved by Grace through Faith".*

*"Without faith it is impossible to please God"*

2. That all forms of genuine faith proceed exclusively from the grace of God.

*"Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace"*

3. That faith is not worked up it is sent down.

*"Not of yourselves it is the gift of God"*

4. That genuine faith is created only through the agency of genuine preaching.

*"Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God"*

*"For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it."*

5. That grace and faith are united together and are inseparable. They are married. (1Cor.11:7-9)

Grace is the initiator. (husband) Faith is the responder. (wife) Faith responds to Grace, and it is a continual process.

**2Co 5:7** *(For we walk by faith, not by sight:)*

**Col 2:6** *As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him:*

6. We are saved by faith and we live by faith.

**Heb 11:6** *But without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.*

7. Faith excludes human merit and human works, because it operates only on the basis of Grace. Eph.2:9

**Tit 3:5** *Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost.*

8. Grace only accepts faith as its bride. Grace never tolerates works. (John 20:31; Titus 3:5-6). The right man always reject the wrong woman (Gal. 2:16)

9. The fulness of God in you happens by faith Eph. 3:17-19

10. The one who calls you is the one who does that to which He calls you. Christ is the content of His own life. You contribute nothing.

**1Thess. 5:24** "he is faithful to do it in you, because he is faithful".

**Phil 2:13** "it is God which worketh in you"

11. Christ died not just to save you, but to save you from yourself! Faith and grace operates to save you from your self not just in the death that He died, but in the life that He lives.

There is no more sorry spectacle than a man who is operating in the flesh, trying to live the life of Christ. The life of righteousness can only be lived by the righteous one, and that is not you! The life of holiness can only be lived by the Holy one. The life of power can only be lived by the powerful one. The life of peace can only be lived by the peaceful one. You must die, because He lives. "I am crucified with Christ"

**Gal 2:20-21** *I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.*

**Gal 2:21** *I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain*

Your lips become his lips only when they cease being yours. Your hands become His, only when they cease serving you. Your mind has his thoughts only when it ceases having your own. The one who calls you to minister the love of God, is the only one who can actually minister the love of God through you. The one who calls you to preach the Gospel to every creature, is the only one who can actually preach the gospel to every creature through you.

You die, when He lives in you. And when you die. You cease to function! When you cease to function He takes over, and your life becomes SUPERNATURAL!

If your life can be explained in terms of you, then you are still alive, and are not a Christian.

If your life can only be explained in terms of Him, then you have dead, and Christ lives in you and through you.

Christ is the content of His own life, the dynamic of His own demands, and the explanation for all His work in all his people of all time. None of them are ever the explanation for anything of Him!

**Rom 11:36** *For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things: to whom be glory for ever. Amen.*

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